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The pictorial theme in this Town Report is:

"The Youth of Our Town"

Should anyone ask, "Just what do the young people in our Town do?", or, "Just what does our Town offer young people in the way of supervised activities?", we can all take pride in the answer, "Just about EVERYTHING!"

A glance at the pictures in this report is intended, not as the whole story on this subject, merely as a small window. Staying within our budget of space and expense, we have attempted to demonstrate the interest and enthusiasm of our young people in the hard job of becoming responsible citizens.

ON OUR COVER: Presentation of the first diploma at our new Minnechaug Regional High School — June 1961. Principal Arthur W. Reynolds and John R. Lyman, Chairman of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District, congratulating the first recipient of a diploma from this new school. Graduating student, Norma Goodrich (Photo by H. Bogue)

INSIDE COVER: Twin jumpers of the Pioneer Valley Pony Club which received its charter from the United States Pony Club three years ago. The Club presently consists of forty active children, twenty horses, and they have a one-mile Hunt Course, a Stadium Jumping Course and two Riding Rings. They are all local children who meet once a week at the residence of Mrs. William H. Tippett. (Photo by F. C. Usin)

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Governmental Districts and Representatives for the Town of Wilbraham

Second Congressional District
Seventh Councillor District
Worcester and Hampden Senatorial District
First Hampden Representative District

United States Senators

Benjamin Smith, 2nd, Gloucester
Leverett Saltonstall, Dover

Representatives in General Court

Raymond H. Beach, Wilbraham
George T. Smith, E. Longmeadow

State Senator

Paul H. Benoit, Southbridge

County Commissioners

Ralph P. Walsh, Longmeadow
Thomas F. Sullivan, Springfield
William F. Stapleton, Holyoke

Democratic Town Committee

Henry Baush, *Chairman*
Thaddeus J. Bierowka
Constantine Cioch
Josephine Cioch
Joseph D. Connelly
Mary B. Connelly
Dr. William G. Dale
Earl W. Decorie
Irene Donovan
Robert D. Driscoll
Edward O. Felsentreger
Flora C. Fitzgerald
Walter J. Freely
Thomas F. Gallagher
Edward W. Irla
Mary A. Irla
Edward S. Kapinos
Stanley E. Kogut
Earl W. Moody
Atty. Herbert Murphy
Patrick J. O'Connor
Joseph M. O'Neil
Stanley J. Peczka
Alphonse S. Sambor
Francis Scott-Smith
Louis Smola
Jane F. Sullivan
Vincent T. Sullivan
Stanley T. Szczebak

Associate Membership

Dr. Thomas Ashe
John De Marco
Andrew Duzsik
Thomas Fitzgerald
Harry King
Joseph Mell
James Normoyle
William Prendergast
Ralph Rocheford
Edward Szustak

Republican Town Committee

Richard H. Allen
Stanley Arabik
Maurice H. Baitler
Roland H. Bennett
Arthur A. Binder
George G. Canney
Robert G. Carter
Phyllis R. Christensen
Bettylee Cizek
William H. Dawson
Charles E. Dorey
Roger W. Folsom
Oren K. Gilbert
Edward H. Godfrey
Herman G. Grandchamp
Dudley N. Hartt
Harold K. Jones
Jean R. LaCroix
Edmund S. Lee, *Chair.*
Jacquelyn W. Lewis
Evelyn M. Macdonald
Charles L. Merrick
Douglas A. Morgan
Carl Nelson
Leo P. Paradis
Marjorie W. Payne
Helen E. Porter
Barbara M. Putnam
Franklin T. Richardson
Charles H. Sheline
Bruce A. Stephens
Gladys K. Steup
Harold F. Swetland
Edwin W. Watkins
Mansfield W. Williams
Paul B. Cambo
Harry C. Crawford, Jr.
Filomena M. Gilbert
Phyllis A. Gleason
Wanda Gurski
Walter G. Johnson
Barbara K. Knowles
Charles E. Lenz
Howard B. Miller
Byron I. Musselman
Earl H. Paine
S. W. Randolph
Gilbert E. Stacy
Julia Szczebak
Myrtie A. Trant
Alvin P. Trombly

Associate Membership

Mary M. Arabik
Anne F. Avon
Maria K. Blaisdell

Honorary Roll

J. Loring Brooks

Elected Town Officers

AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

Jesse L. Rice, *Chair.,* 1962
Richard L. Danforth, 1963
Roger T. Hintze, 1964

Town Collector

Mark E. Reynolds, 1962

Town Clerk

Doris G. Cochran, 1962

Town Treasurer

Doris G. Cochran, 1962

Assessors

Edward H. Godfrey, *Chair.,* 1962
Harold K. Jones, 1963
Allan R. Kinney, 1964

School Committee

Matthew A. Gozdowski, *Chr.,* '962
Alexander W. Marco, 1963
Harry J. Dabagian, 1963
Ethel M. Musselman, 1964
Margaret L. Williams, 1964

Auditor

William T. Payne, 1962

Tree Warden

Gordon Long, 1962

Cemetery Commissioners

Weldon G. Jameson, 1962
Roland H. Bennett, 1963
John Bernet, 1964

Water Commissioners

Sidney Low, *Chairman,* 1962
John W. Gale, 1963
Willard P. Willis, Jr., 1964

Moderator

Ernest W. Furnans, Jr., 1962

Trustees of Public Library

Loni Brower, *Chairman,* 1963
James B. McGuire, 1964
Mary G. Ronk, 1962

Planning Board

Leo E. Kuehn, *Chairman,* 1963
Robert A. Edwards, 1962
Richard H. Morgan, 1964
Robert G. Carter, 1965
Bion T. Wheeler, Jr., 1966

Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee

John R. Lyman, *Chairman,* 1962
Doris C. Bowman, 1962
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr., 1963
Harold W. Barber, 1964
(Resigned)
Chester L. Thorndike, 1964
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Pound Keeper

Gardner Files, 1962 (Resigned)
David E. Brehaut
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Surveyors of Lumber

Walter H. Clark, 1962
Jesse L. Rice, 1962

Field Drivers

Benjamin F. Griffin, 1962
Peter Presz, 1962
Leonard VonFlatern, Sr., 1962

Finance Committee

Aldo E. Alberici, *Chairman,* 1962
Irving J. Cordner, 1962
Earl W. Decorie, 1962
Fred T. Googins, 1962
Herman G. Grandchamp, 1962
Albert H. Howes, 1962
Albert E. Neale, 1962
Marshall Roper, 1962
Harry C. Crawford, Jr., 1962

Officers Appointed by Selectmen
AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Weighers of Grain
Weldon G. Jameson, 1962
Jesse L. Rice, 1962

Measurers of Wood and Charcoal
Walter H. Clark, 1962
Edward P. Lindsay, 1962

Superintendent of Streets
Herbert L. Butler, 1962

Police
William Pollitt, *Chief,* 1962
John Chrzanowski, *Patrolman,* 1962
Gardner R. M. Files, *Patrolman,* 1962 (Resigned)
Newton E. Goewey, *Patrolman,* 1962 (Appointed to fill vacancy)
Stephen Lopata, *Reserve,* 1962
Alton M. McDonald, *Reserve,* 1962

Constables
Robert A. Converse
Robert C. Dietz

Milk Inspector
Health Officer (Sanitarian)
John A. Brickett, 1962

Dog Officer
Animal Inspector
Slaughtering Inspector
Gardner R. M. Files, 1962 (Resigned)
David E. Brehaut (Appointed to fill vacancy)

Secretary to Selectmen
Mary L. Powers, 1962

Bookkeeper
Josephine M. Pease, 1962

Town Counsel
Peter G. Ellis, 1962

Pest Control Officer
Gordon R. Long, 1962

Fire Chief
Forest Warden
Ralph E. Tupper, 1962

School Dentist
Dr. George H. Nieske, 1962

Board of Appeals
Pearl R. Kinney, 1962
Albert L. Martin, 1963 (Resigned)
Harry R. Jeffrey, 1963 (Appointed to fill vacancy)
Ralph E. Keyes, Assoc. Mem., 1963
Harrison F. Lyman, Jr., 1964 (Resigned)
W. Edwin Watkins, *Chair.,* 1964 (Appointed to fill vacancy)

Veterans Agent
George A. Dusenberry, Jr., 1962

Sealer of Weights and Measures
Charles L. Merrick, 1962

Registrars of Voters
Doris G. Cochran, 1962 (Ex Officio)
Leonard F. VonFlatern, Sr., 1964
William Sullivan, Jr., 1962
Henry P. Baush, 1963

Playground Commissioners
Robert J. Driscoll, *Chair.,* 1962
Bruce Crawford, 1962
John J. Ferri, 1962 (Resigned)

Board of Fire Commissioners
Wesley G. Chapman, *Chair.,* 1962
Ettore L. Pederzani, 1962
Rudolph L. Shults, 1962

Radio Advisory Committee
Herbert Butler, 1962
Roger T. Hintze (Ex Officio)
William Pollitt, 1962
Harland H. Rogers, 1962
Ralph E. Tupper, 1962

Park Commissioner
Carlton R. Reid, 1962

Civil Defense Personnel

Roger T. Hintze, *Director*
Lincoln A. Dexter, *Deputy Director*
Walter R. Howe, *Deputy Director*
Harland H. Rogers, *Deputy Dir.*

Insurance Review Committee

Howard S. Bush, 1962
Bruce Stephens, 1962
Gerald N. Hakes, 1962
Bert Mount, *Chairman,* 1962
Leland W. Shaw, 1962

Building Inspector

Anthony G. Mascaro, 1962
Thomas W. Farnham, *Asst.,* 1962

Center Study Committee

Harry C. Crawford, Jr., *Chr.,* 1962
Herol Harrington, 1962
Robert G. Carter, 1962
William H. Shortell, 1962
James Brady McGuire, 1962
Anne Hartt, 1962
William Sullivan, Jr., 1962
Dorothy B. Sigsbee, 1962
Bert Mount, 1962
Arthur I. McDonald, 1962
Charles I. Bowman, 1962

Industrial Development Committee

Arthur A. Binder, *Chairman,* 1962
Bert Mount, 1962
Leo Paradis, 1962
Clyde F. Barlow, 1962
Roland L. Sirois, 1962
Larry D. Lewis, 1962
Beatrice L. Becker, 1962
Barbara M. Putnam, 1962
Donald F. Bready, 1962

Personnel Study Committee

Earl W. Decorie, 1962
Albert E. Neale, 1962
Herman G. Grandchamp, 1962
John Bemben, 1962
Robert E. Simpson, *Chair.,* 1962
Darrell S. Ames, 1962

History Committee

Henry I. Edson, 1962
Raymond F. Gurney, 1962
Harry R. Jeffrey, 1962
Ralph M. Kilcourse, 1962
John J. Lyons, 1962
Charles L. Merrick, *Chair.,* 1962

Electrical Inspector

William E. Fitzgerald, 1962

School Building Committee

Mrs. Byron I. Musselman, 1962
Irving H. Agard, 1962
Allan A. Campbell, 1962
Michael F. X. Gigliotti, *Chr.,* 1962
Fred T. Googins, 1962
Dorrance T. Green, 1962
Angelo C. Pessolano, 1962
Robert P. Whittier, 1962

Bi-Centennial Celebration Committee

J. Loring Brooks, 1962
Richard L. Danforth, 1962
Raymond F. Gurney, 1962
Harry R. Jeffrey, 1962
John J. Lyons, 1962
Charles L. Merrick, 1962
Irving J. Cordner, 1962
Henry I. Edson, 1962
Roger T. Hintze, 1962
Ralph M. Kilcourse, 1962
Albert L. Martin, 1962
Carl Nelson, 1962
Jesse L. Rice, *Chairman,* 1962

Fence Viewers

Gordon W. Holdridge, 1962
Harry R. Jeffrey, 1962 (Resigned)
Harry R. Whyte, 1962

Welfare Director

Helen C. Boden, 1962

School Survey Committee

Dorrance T. Green, *Chair.,* 1962
Fred T. Googins, 1962
Ethel M. Musselman, 1962
Doris C. Bowman, 1962
Allan A. Campbell, 1962
Andrew G. Duzsik, 1962
Edwin M. Osgood, 1962

Town Report Committee

Warren I. Fillmore, *Chair.,* 1962
Burton W. Hall, 1962
Chester L. Thorndike, Jr., 1962
Mrs. Eugene H. McGinty, 1962
(Resigned)
Richard C. Stevens, 1962
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Selectmen's Report

Once again we bring to your attention the phenomenal growth which is still taking place in Wilbraham. The trend is upward in every conceivable phase of town government, and although this is a healthy condition, it also means that our taxes are likewise going to be higher. However, under economical and efficient management we hope to keep our unit cost down and not be extravagant in our decisions in rendering the various services which are so demanding on a growing community.

In reviewing a few statistics — the number of homes in existence in 1950 of 1,083 compared to the homes in existence at the end of 1960, namely, 2,089 would confirm our previous statements that we are growing at the rate of approximately 100 new homes per year. At the same time let's consider the number of children in attendance at school for these same years and we learn that in 1950 we had 549 children, compared to 1,650 in 1960. In other words, as the homes doubled during this decade the school population tripled.

If we consider the mileage of accepted streets during this same period of time, we will find that we have accepted fifteen miles of new roads in various developments throughout the town. If we take this mileage and divide by 100', we soon realize that we have an exposure of around 1,600 new homes without accepting another new street. This is exclusive of homes that could be built along streets that we accepted more than ten years ago.

In Memoriam

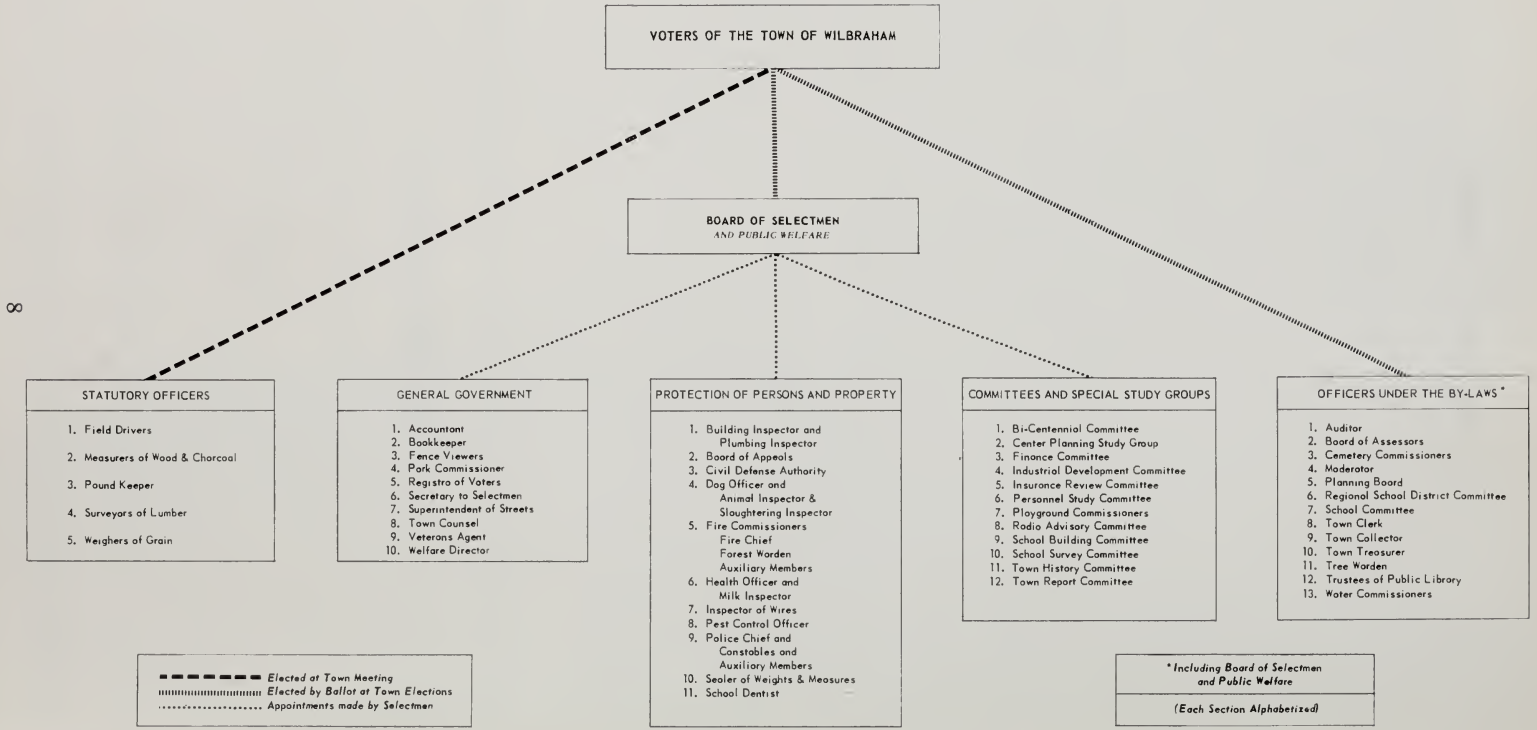
JAMES L. MARCHESE

CARL NELSON

HARLAND H. ROGERS, SR.

GEORGE ALDEN SAFFORD

Town Government
METHOD OF ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT CHART



Therefore, we would like to point out that during the next five years it has been estimated by reliable forecasters that the growth will be about the same as the previous ten years, and if this is true, we will have close to 3,000 homes by 1965 with a population of very near 11,000 and with our school population increasing to more than 2,500 children. These statistics are not given with any idea of alarming you of the additional cost for the next few years because up until this time we have handled our expansion program in a very conservative and well planned program. This is one reason why the Stabilization Fund for this year has been substantially increased to give us sufficient money to meet these capital outlays when they are needed.

The following paragraphs outline briefly some of our accomplishments during the past year.

Highways

During 1961 we reconstructed Faculty Street and also resurfaced Springfield Street, from Main Street to Stony Hill Road. These expenditures were outside of the limits provided for under our Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 programs. These improvements have long been needed and the compliments received indicate to us that more roads should be considered along these lines. We are, therefore, recommending for 1962 the resurfacing of two sections of Main Street, as described in Articles 35 and 36. We realize that this expenditure is at the full expense of the Town, but the Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 formulas do not permit us to rebuild these roads because the allocation of funds by the State are not sufficient to replace these roads as they wear out. We feel that this method of reconditioning our roads will protect our original investment and reduce the maintenance cost in the years ahead to permit us to build more roads out of these two Chapters.

In regard to road acceptances, we have many articles in this year's warrant which we hope you will consider favorably. All these roads have been viewed by your Board of Selectmen and Planning Board and in our joint opinion they are much better than many of the roads in the past. Some roads that were petitioned for acceptance were rejected because they were not up to standard. The work that is now being done under the direction of your Planning Board on these various subdivisions has improved materially over the past few years and we feel if the stand-

ards are maintained, there will be less expense to the Town in maintenance in the future.

Drainage

We have many problems concerning drainage. During the past year we corrected a few of the most serious and have developed surface drainage systems that can be extended when needed in the future. We also have under consideration several others for the coming year which are included in our Miscellaneous Highway Account budget. We feel that handling the drainage problems that exist throughout the Town is best administered by taking care of whatever we can from this account when the money is available.

Sidewalks

We would like to say a few words at this time concerning snow removal from sidewalks. In Article 23 of the 1955 Annual Town Meeting, it was voted that we accept a By-Law requiring people who have sidewalks in front of their houses to remove the snow subject to a penalty for violating this By-Law of a fine not to exceed $20.00. Because our sidewalks are so close to the street, the Highway Department in plowing the street must sometimes push the snow over onto the sidewalk. The Selectmen have ruled that in these instances where the town has put snow on the sidewalk, it is the town's responsibility to remove it.

This reminder is made at this time because we feel many townspeople do not know of the action taken by your Selectmen and unless they have positive proof that the snow was placed on the sidewalk by the town, then they are obligated to shovel their own sidewalk.

Committees

Personnel Study Committee — This committee was appointed by your Selectmen at the request of the Finance Committee to establish job classifications within each department and they likewise made a recommendation for minimum and maximum salaries for such departments. We are very grateful to the members of this committee for the fine job which they have done and for such a complete survey which has been needed for so many years. This will be the first year in which we attempted to use such a program and we feel that positive steps have been in the

right direction so that future determinations concerning job classifications and salaries can be more easily administered.

School Survey Committee — At the request of the School Committee we appointed a new School Survey Committee. From all indications, they pointed out to us that the town is growing faster than we anticipated. Based on their current figures we should plan for our needs at this time. The committee has prepared a report covering their program for the coming year. We would also like to call your attention to the possibility of having a Special Town Meeting sometime later on in the year when the question concerning our school problems will be brought to your attention.

Center Survey Committee — Your Selectmen appointed this committee to study the problems of the further development of the Center of Wilbraham and they, likewise, have submitted a progress report for your consideration. This committee will have something more definite to present to the townspeople at a future town meeting when a complete outline of their proposals will be presented for your approval.

Town Report Committee — This committee has done an outstanding job as evidenced by the selection of the Wilbraham Town Report for the year 1960 as winning first prize in towns of comparable size within the Commonwealth. We wish at this time to extend our congratulations to this committee for their outstanding service and we hope our present report will meet with similar success.

Board of Public Welfare

Due to the retirement of our Welfare Director, Miss Helen C. Boden, sometime before the end of this coming year, it was suggested that we investigate the possibility of entering a Welfare District with East Longmeadow for the purpose of setting up a more economical basis for the administration of this program. We have had several meetings with the State Welfare Agents, one with the Finance Committee, and we feel that this is the best solution for our Town at this time. We, therefore, under Article 12, hope you will approve the creation of this Welfare District with East Longmeadow, which will be completed sometime before the end of this year. For your information a similar article has already been accepted by the citizens of East Longmeadow at a Special Town Meeting last December.

Board of Health

The Selectmen wish to call to your attention two serious problems; namely, those that we have at the dump and in connection with the collection of garbage.

These are services that are now rendered to you on the most economical basis that we can manage and if each and every citizen will follow the rules and regulations concerning each problem it will be greatly appreciated. If you fail to co-operate we have no alternative but to hire additional help to regulate such services, which, in turn, will add to your costs. If you will kindly adhere to the rules and regulations as posted at the dump, we will have no problem, but if people continue to throw garbage in the dump, then it will be necessary for us to have continual supervision to eliminate this unsightly and unhealthy condition.

In regard to the garbage collection — please refrain from putting tin cans, broken glass and dead animals in the garbage container for the collector to carry away. We are hiring this service at a very reasonable cost and we would like to keep the garbage collector happy with good clean garbage.

Street Lights

Our street light program is far from adequate for such a fast growing community. We have fallen behind due to the acceptance of so many streets. This year we are requesting additional funds to improve the lighting in many trouble spots about town. Good lighting eliminates accidents and protects personal property. At our present rate of expansion in this department, it will be a great many years before our program will be considered adequate.

In closing we wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to all town employees, boards and committees for their diligent effort and real service to the Town. Without their efforts our task could not be accomplished. As indicated to you many times, our growth is rapid and we must progress conservatively. Only in this way can we face the future with any confidence.

Jesse L. Rice, *Chairman*
Richard L. Danforth
Roger T. Hintze

Report of the Wilbraham School Committee

The State of Massachusetts, through the provisions of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, has delegated to the local school committee the responsibility and authority for operating the public schools in this community. It is not by accident that the determination of what constitutes an educationally desirable and financially feasible school system has been assigned to locally elected citizens, but rather by design that this all-important function of organized society — the education of its youth and the continuation of the national heritage — has been given to the voters.

The history of every great civilization has taught us that to grow, prosper, and survive, a nation must provide for the education of all of its youth. Our American system of government is founded on the principle that the citizenry must and can wisely govern themselves. The most effective way to guarantee an intelligent and selective voter is to insure good education by entrusting to the citizens, through their elected representatives, the management and operation of the schools.

A school committee member is elected for a term of three years; sufficient time to familiarize himself with the complexities and details of the work, while still providing the citizens with an opportunity to effect an orderly change of representation if they so desire. The terms of office of school committee members overlap, so that there is always an experienced majority with continuity of purpose and objectives, and an opportunity for steady progress towards desirable long range goals. The members constitute a committee for the purpose of transacting business and voting policies only when meeting as an official group. A school committee member represents the total school population, and, in the final analysis, is responsible to the state for the educational program. This, then, is the challenge and the responsibility of school committee membership.

A member is charged with the task of maintaining an equal and reasonable balance between desirable educational practices and the ability of the community to meet the costs. Your school committee has diligently studied each new project and reviewed existing policies with the objective of providing this community with a sound educational program at a cost which the citizens can afford. Traditionally, the citizens of Wilbraham have supported the school committee and the advancement of the school

Wilbraham Academy Photo

Headmaster W. Gray Mattern, Jr., addressing some of the student body at Wilbraham Academy.

Part of the many active troops of Girl Scouts and Brownies, sponsored by the United Church.

Photo by R. D. Flint

Photo by W. Fillmore

The Wilbraham Public Library is a popular spot for many of our youngsters.

Boy Scouts of Troop 359 which is sponsored by the Men's Club of St. Cecelia's Church.

Photo by Robert J. Clark

program. We believe that in the year 1961, substantial growth and improvement has been achieved in your schools.

The cost of operation, despite continual inflationary rises in the cost of goods and services, and despite an almost unbelievable increase in pupil enrollment, has been held to a reasonable figure — one that the citizens are willing and able to pay.

Faced with an ever-increasing pupil enrollment and a more exacting educational program, the necessity for assigning pupils to schools outside their neighborhood area becomes apparent. After study of the problem, the committee voted the following policy on districting of pupils:

> "The policy of the Wilbraham School Committee shall be to utilize economically the school facilities in such a manner as to provide the best possible educational opportunity for the pupils of the community. In the districting of pupils between schools, the educational program and its advancement shall be of prime importance. As with the development of all educational programs and the applications of policy, the committee shall consider operating costs, pupil dislocation, public reaction, and staff recommendations."

With this policy established, the committee, in September of this year, transferred all sixth grade pupils to the Memorial School and developed long range plans to schedule multiple grades in each building so that ability grouping of students will be economically possible. Whenever more than one classroom of pupils at a grade level is located in one building, it is possible to group the pupils on an ability basis, offer an enriched and accelerated program, and concentrate specialized instruction where it can be most effective: conversational French, advanced science and mathematics are being offered in the sixth grades at Memorial School this year. This would have been a most expensive program if the pupils had been assigned to three buildings. No additional transportation costs have resulted from redistricting pupils to promote ability grouping and improved instructional programing.

A major problem facing the school committee is the rapidly expanding pupil enrollment. In order to maintain a desirable teacher-pupil ratio, additional classrooms at the rate of approximately four a year are needed. The Pines School addition — twelve classrooms and auxiliary facilities being completed for the September, 1962 opening of school — will provide a total of sixty-two classrooms, located at the Memorial, Stony Hill, Pines,

and Springfield Street Schools, to house pupils in grades one through eight. The sobering fact is, that despite an unprecedented record of new school building in this community over the past thirteen years and the dedicated efforts of the citizens to provide modern school facilities, the task is not completed. Based on the 1961 census figures, an actual head count of children living in Wilbraham on October 1st, the growth in pupil population is accelerating rather than leveling off; and by September, 1965, additional classrooms will be needed if we are to avoid double sessions or some other unsatisfactory educational arrangement. On November 21st, members of the school committee met with the Board of Selectmen and presented a report on enrollment projections and classroom needs. If new classrooms are to be ready for September, 1965, three years are needed to survey and determine accurately the needs and location of the facility, plan the building, and construct and equip it.

The Memorial School addition has resulted in the development of a highly satisfactory and very efficient utilization of the cafeteria. The kitchen expansion, work and storage areas, and double feeding lines have, through a reduction in feeding time usage of the cafeteria, made it possible to schedule academic classes in this large room.

The increased enrollment has required additional personnel in order to maintain the present level of education. In September, 1961, Mr. Robert Garvey was appointed as Science Coordinator for the Wilbraham Schools. His work consists of developing and implementing an organized program of science for grades one through eight. This is accomplished by presenting demonstration lessons and experiments and serving as a resource consultant for the classroom teachers. A part of the new emphasis on science has been a team teaching approach, where several of the staff have developed highly specialized lessons which are presented to several classes or grade groups. End use of preparation time required for a more detailed lesson is maximized through additional usage of the material.

In an effort to reach a greater number of pupils and to develop participants rather than spectators, the committee has established a strong intra-mural athletic program in the junior high grades, replacing the previous inter-scholastic athletic program. For the same dollar expenditure in supervision and supplies, some two hundred and fifty pupils can participate in an intra-mural basket-

ball, baseball or soccer league, where formerly thirty pupils were involved. The intra-mural program provides an opportunity not only for the talented athlete, but for all students to enjoy and derive benefits from competitive sports.

In addition to developing and revising policies and standards for the operation of the educational program, the school committee must insure a business-like operation and an efficient use of educational funds. The annual school budget, a detailed estimate of the costs of all supplies and services, is a major means of determining and controlling the educational program. By state law, the school committee is charged with the authority and responsibility of developing and adopting an adequate school budget for presentation to the citizens at Town Meeting. This, it has done. The 1962 school budget is the result of many months of careful study and evaluation and is, we believe, a reasonable cost for the education of the pupils of this community.

In order to remain competitive with area communities, and to continue to attract and hold outstanding teachers, the committee has voted to increase the salary schedule by $200, and establish the minimum salary at $4,500, effective September 1, 1962.

Dr. Gordon C. McKay teaching tennis — a service he has given for many years.
Photo by H. Bogue

Additional teachers will be added to the staff with the opening of the Pines School addition, thus relieving the present overcrowded classrooms.

Operating costs, other than salaries, are developed from experience and reflect the increase in number of pupils and the inflationary factors that have constantly raised the cost of doing business. Throughout the past five years, the Wilbraham Public Schools have continued to offer an above average educational program in a fluid and expanding situation, at a per pupil cost that compares favorably with state averages.

In 1961 and in planning for 1962, the school committee has worked to develop and improve the Wilbraham Public Schools. We believe that the program being offered here is educationally sound and represents the desires of the community. We shall continue to analyze and question each area of activity in an effort to maintain the educational and financial efficiency in our schools. We wish to express our appreciation to the school staff for its dedicated hard work and continuous efforts to improve this system. We believe that the schools have earned, and will continue to merit, the support of the citizens of Wilbraham.

MR. MATTHEW GOZDOWSKI, *Chairman*

MR. HARRY DABAGIAN — MRS. BYRON MUSSELMAN

MR. ALEXANDER W. MARCO — MRS. MANSFIELD WILLIAMS

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Enrollment

The enrollment of pupils by grade as of October 1, 1961 is shown below:

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Spec.	Total
Springfield St.	22	32	27							81
Stony Hill	90	99	129	142	124					584
Memorial	24	27				141	149	138	17	496
Pines	50	29	28	33	32					172
	186	187	184	175	156	141	149	138	17	1333

Census Report and Comparison October 1, 1961

Year Born	Year to Enter School	1961	1960	1959	1958	1957
1955	1961	186	170	159	144	128
1956	1962	179	175	156	156	134
1957	1963	163	157	154	137	90*
1958	1964	185	162	139	89*	
1959	1965	145	127	84*		
1960	1966	152	112*			
1961	1967	89*				

* 9/12 of year recorded

Children in School Census and Their Distribution October 1, 1961
Five Year Period 1956-1961

	5-7 Years	7-16 Years	Total
Boys	195	815	1010
Girls	166	708	874
Total	361	1523	1884
Distribution			
In Public Schools	214	1386	1600
In Vocational Schools	—	6	6
In Private Schools	17	126	143
Not enrolled in any school	130	5	135
	361	1523	1884
Total, Oct. 1, 1960	463	1332	1795

Number of Pupils in Elementary Schools by Grades
Five Year Period 1956-1961

As of October of Each Year

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Spec.	Total
1956	122	131	129	148	116	102	94	90	80	17	1029
1957	132	122	126	130	148	112	105	91	100	13	1079
1958	148	136	126	126	133	147	122	104	92	19	1153
1959	172	162	140	123	143	133	170	101	*	23	1167
1960	186	185	167	151	129	136	148	157	*	23	1282
1961	186	187	184	175	156	141	149	138	*	17	1333

* Grade 9 now at Minnechaug High School

BUDGET ESTIMATE 1962

Expense of School Committee	$240.00
Superintendent's Salary	9,750.00
Business Office Expense	9,839.00
Supervisors' Salaries	21,289.00
Principals' Salaries	20,335.00
Expense of Principalship	10,880.00
Teachers' Salaries	359,293.00
Textbooks	11,190.00
Expense of Instruction, Supplies	13,606.00
Custodians' Salaries	30,707.00
Fuel	13,280.00
Expense of Operation, Misc.	16,425.00
Repairs	7,320.00
Health	6,418.00
Transportation	57,448.00
Tuition	14,188.00
Miscellaneous Auxiliary	4,635.00
New Equipment	1,600.00
Total	$608,443.00
Less: Available P. L. 874 Funds	13,000.00
Amount to appropriate	$595,443.00
Community Program	6,000.00

1962 Credit Estimate on Account of Education

Chapter 71, Section 7A, Transportation	$34,000.00
Chapter 70, Section A	75,556.00
Vocational	6,000.00
State Wards	2,800.00
School Adjustment Counsellor	3,600.00
Special Class	6,500.00
Chapter 70, Section 3B, Regional	11,333.00
Total Receipts	$139,789.00

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1961-1962

First Term: Wednesday, September 6 through Friday, December 22

Second Term: Tuesday, January 2 through Friday, February 16

Third Term: Monday, February 26 through Friday, April 13

Fourth Term: Monday, April 23 through Friday, June 22

School will close on all legal holidays, Friday, October 20, Hampden County Teachers' Convention, and Friday, April 20, Good Friday. Schools will close at noon on November 22 for Thanksgiving.

The Wilbraham School Committee schedules regular meetings on the 2nd Monday of each month. Special meetings are scheduled as required, and all meetings are open to the public.

School Building Committee Report

Acting under the articles passed by the January 16, 1961 Special Town Meeting and the March 11, 1961 Annual Town Meeting, the committee has proceeded with the enlargement of the kitchen facilities at Memorial School and with the addition of 12 classrooms, dining and auxiliary facilities, at the Pines School. The low bidder, C. J. Driscoll Co., was selected as General Contractor for both jobs and the firm of Alderman and MacNeish continued as our architects on both jobs.

The Memorial kitchen enlargement was completed during the summer months of 1961 and placed in operation in September 1961. The committee has observed the new facilities in operation and believes that they constitute a major improvement and are most satisfactory; Memorial School authorities and the School Committee concur in this belief and the project is being closed. The facilities required cost $47,726.49, considerably less than the $58,000 originally estimated, and $10,523.51 remains unexpended in this account. The savings were accomplished by a frugal approach to the solving of the problems existing without detracting from the over-all improvement desired.

The Pines School addition is proceeding on a schedule which

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PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Office:			
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1950	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdett College
Joann L. LedDuke	Bookkeeper	1957	
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
Stony Hill School:			
Alan J. Rubin	Principal	1955	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Marion H. Castaldini	Secretary, Stony Hill, Pines and Springfield Street	1956	
Gina Frangie	Grade 5	1954	B.A., M.Ed., American International College; Springfield College
Mary E. Moody	Grade 5	1955	State College at Fitchburg
Amelia S. Riley	Grade 5	1957	B.S., State College at Worcester
James E. Tremble	Grade 5	1960	B.S., Springfield College
Marjorie Befford	Grade 4	1958	State Teachers College at Fitchburg
Elizabeth C. Benson	Grade 4	1959	B.S., State College at Westfield
Alice F. Foley	Grade 4	1955	State College at Westfield
Mildred Powell	Grade 4	1960	B.S., Univ. of Nebraska; Univ. of Mass.
Virginia Sternberg	Grade 4	1961	B.S., American International College
Therese Dowd	Grade 3	1957	A.B., Our Lady of the Elms College
Charlotte Prochnow	Grade 3	1957	B.S., State College at Bridgewater
Sara Ann Skalla	Grade 3	1960	B.S., Springfield College
Anne Stachowicz Paulhus	Grade 3	1959	B.S., Springfield College
Catherine G. Alaimo	Grade 2	1961	B.A., Our Lady of the Elms College
Mildred Lockwood	Grade 2	1959	B.S., State College at Westfield
Valerie Lundberg	Grade 2	1961	B.S., Springfield College
Sally A. Misuraca	Grade 2	1961	B.S., St. Joseph College, West Htfd.
Joanne S. Ewig	Grade 1	1955	B.S., Skidmore College
Madeline Harrington	Grade 1	1952	B.S., M.S., University of Massachusetts

Stella Mondoux	Grade 1	1958	B.S., State College at Westfield
Henry Hyde	Custodian	1954	
Thomas Farnham	Custodian	1958	
Mildred Cotter	Cook	1950	
Ella Lindsay	Cook	1957	
Isabella Rollins	Cook	1953	
Marjorie Goewey	Cook	1960	
Yvette Damoulakis	Cook	1961	
The Pines School:			
Helen S. Strauss	Principal, Grade 5	1930	B.S., M.S., Columbia; Springfield College
Ruth C. Hood	Grade 4	1959	B.S., Teachers College, Danbury, Conn.
Emma B. Habin	Grade 3	1960	B.S., State College at Westfield
Evelyn L. Salisbury	Grade 2	1961	B.A., University of New Hampshire
Mary Johnston	Grade 1	1950	State College at Westfield
Ruth S. Geigel	Grade 1	1961	B.S., Rutgers University
Michael Pyzocha	Custodian	1954	
Julia Dougal	Cook	1952	
Jean Lajzer	Cook	1960	
Springfield Street School:			
Alan J. Rubin	Principal	1955	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Annamae Martin	Grade 3	1960	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Rosemary M. Birtwell	Grade 2	1961	B.A., State College at Westfield
Ruth Lesser	Grade 1	1958	B.A., American International College
Memorial School:			
Richard J. Curry	Principal	1954	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Richard S. Ullery, Jr.	Guidance	1958	B.A., M.Ed., American International Col.
Florence LeVan	Secretary	1956	
Patricia Frydryk	Clerk-Typist	1961	
Muriel Boyce	Junior High	1960	B.A., M.Ed., State College at Framingham; Boston University
A. Louise Bradley	Junior High	1952	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Charles T. Coolong	Special Class	1958	B.S., State College at Fitchburg

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Audrey Dabagian	Physical Education	1961	B.S., Douglas College
Marion Didrikson	Junior High	1959	B.B.A., American International College
Robert P. Garvey	Junior High	1955	B.A., M.A., St. Anselm's; American International College
Rosemarie Gill	Junior High	1960	B.S., Salem Teachers College
Ruth W. Herter	Junior High	1959	B.A.E., Rhode Island School of Design
Kenneth H. Hultstrom	Junior High	1961	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Ruth S. Johnson	Junior High	1961	B.A., Oberlin College
Paul E. Pesce	Junior High	1960	B.S., State College at Salem
James Rafferty	Junior High	1957	B.B.A., University of Massachusetts
Julia Rosenbeck	Junior High	1954	B.A., Springfield College
Cleone Smith	Junior High	1959	A.B., Middlebury College
Irene Walinski	Junior High	1957	A.B., M.Ed., College of Our Lady of the Elms; Springfield College
Joseph Zych, Jr.	Junior High	1958	B.S., Springfield College
Richard MacGillivray	Special Class	1959	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Thomas Lennon	Grade 6	1958	B.S., American International College
Doris Kline	Grade 6	1960	B.S., M.Ed., Simmons College; Boston University
Frank Marshall	Grade 6	1958	B.S., Springfield College
William Kozlowski	Grade 6	1957	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
Gordon S. Bates	Grade 6	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College
Marion L. Holland	Grade 2	1922	Springfield Teachers College
Clara B. Merrill	Grade 1	1944	Farmington State College
John Polaczak	Head Custodian	1949	
John Wnuk	Custodian	1959	
Mitchell Misiaszek	Custodian	1961	
Emma Chamberlin	Cook	1956	
Eva Cloutier	Cook	1958	
Emily Bready	Cook	1960	
Charlotte Babineau	Cook	1960	

Supervisors and Special Subject Teachers:			
Ruth G. Backus	Elementary Supervisor	1953	State College at Framingham
John K. Ault	Physical Education	1960	B.S., M.S., St. Lawrence Univ.; Springfield College
Millicent G. Green	Handwriting	1938	State College at North Adams
Marguerite G. Brady	Librarian	1942	Perry Normal
Esther Johnson	Music	1949	State College at Westfield
Marion H. McKinstry	Art	1956	Massachusetts School of Art
Margaret M. Kiely	Adjustment Counsellor	1959	B.A., M.Ed., American International College; Springfield College
Merilis Scott	School Psychologist	1960	B.S., M.S., Fitchburg; Springfield College
May Jenkins	Manager, Hot Lunch	1950	
Health:			
Janet M. Horacek	Nurse	1954	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Arthur Goodwin	Doctor	1947	M.D., Tufts
George H. Nieske	Dentist	1959	D.M.D., University of Maryland; American International College
Transportation:			
George W. Motyka		1932	

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Muriel Pellissier, Teacher, resigned April 22, 1961
Frances A. Ward, Teacher, resigned August 31, 1961
Susan Quimby, Teacher, resigned June 30, 1961
Wallace Dec, Teacher, resigned June 30, 1961
Joan C. Ruggles, Teacher, resigned June 30, 1961
Irene C. Donelan, Teacher, resigned June 30, 1961
Donald Collette, Custodian, resigned June 30, 1961
Eva Sidleau, Cook, resigned September 23, 1961

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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will have the expanded facility ready for occupancy in September 1962. The site work is practically all completed, the building structure is erected and glazed, and interior piping, plumbing and wiring is in progress. Bids have been requested for the classroom equipment required and these contracts will be placed in February. The current estimate of final cost is $459,749.66 which is less than the $465,000 originally estimated. Because of the separate appropriations involved, it may be necessary for the committee to ask for a transfer of funds from one account to another at the 1962 Annual Town Meeting. However, it now appears that this over-all project will be accomplished well within the money appropriated.

The Pines School addition was approved for 50% state aid by the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission on March 14, 1961. The first installment of $46,050 was received by the Town Treasurer in October 1961.

The financial status of both projects is shown in the following financial statement and summary as of January 1962.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Expenses	Memorial Kitchen Addition	Pines School Addition
General Contract	$43,200.00	$379,380.00
Extras to date	156.00	165.84
Preliminary Studies and Costs	0.00	3,284.82
Architects Fees	*3,542.40	†30,919.00
Equipment	828.09	25,000.00
Land Purchase	0.00	18,000.00
Other Costs Expected	0.00	‡3,000.00
Total Cost Expected	$47,726.49 (completed)	$459,749.66 (in progress)

* $250.00 paid under "Preliminary Plans" appropriation

† $23,331.87 paid under "Preliminary Plans" and "Pines School Plans" appropriations

‡ Contingency

Appropriations	Memorial Kitchen Addition	Pines School Addition
6/16/60 — Preliminary Plans	$250.00	$16,750.00
1/16/61 — Plans — Pines	—	15,000.00
1/16/61 — Construction — Memorial	58,000.00	—
1/16/61 — Land Purchase — Pines	—	18,000.00
3/11/61 — Construction — Pines	—	415,000.00
Total Appropriations	$58,250.00	$464,750.00
Total Cost Expected	47,726.49	459,749.66
Balance Expected	$10,523.51	$5,000.34

JANUARY 1962 — FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	Preliminary Plans June 16, 1960	Pines School Plans Jan. 16, 1961	Memorial Addition Jan. 16, 1961	Pines Land Purchase Jan. 16, 1961	Pines School Addition Mar. 11, 1961
Appropriation	$17,000.00	$15,000.00	$58,000.00	$18,000.00	$415,000.00
Paid to date	12,709.66	14,207.13	47,476.49	18,000.00	233,853.84
Balance on hand	4,290.34	792.87	10,523.51	0	181,146.16
Commitments	0	0	0	0	153,311.16
Balance Not Committed	4,290.34	792.87	10,523.51	0	27,835.00
Items Remaining	none	none	none	none	Classroom Equipment
Balance Expected	$4,290.34	$792.87	$10,523.51	$0	$0

The Committee is pleased with the progress of the work at the Pines School and with the completion of the enlarged kitchen at the Memorial School.

MICHAEL F. X. GIGLIOTTI, *Chairman*
IRVING H. AGARD, *Secretary*
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ANGELO C. PESSOLANO
ROBERT P. WHITTIER

1962 School Survey Committee

On November 21, 1961, upon completion of the annual school census, the Wilbraham School Committee met with the Board of Selectmen and requested the formation of a School Survey Committee.

Named by the Selectmen on January 5, 1962, this committee first concentrated on a review of enrollment figures and the projection of future classroom needs. The detailed studies prepared by previous Survey Committees were found to be correct in predicting a continued growth in pupil population and the need for additional classrooms at the rate of three plus per year. This committee has utilized the services of the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission in studying pupil enrollments. The estimate of Wilbraham school enrollments as prepared by the commission is attached to this report.

In addition to studying the need for additional school facilities, the committee has attempted to determine those areas of this community that are showing the greatest growth, and to designate areas of pupil concentration. The committee has viewed several potential school sites and conducted preliminary discussions as to price and availability. The Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission has requested this committee to consider and

ESTIMATE OF WILBRAHAM SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS

Estimated school enrollments, prepared by the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission January 5, 1962.

	GRADES										
School Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	1-6 Total	7	8	7-8 Total	1-8 Total
1962-1963	198	190	193	186	182	161	1110	148	140	288	1398
1963-1964	199	202	196	195	193	187	1172	169	139	308	1480
1964-1965	217	203	208	198	203	199	1228	196	159	355	1583
1965-1966	175	221	209	210	206	209	1230	209	184	393	1623
1966-1967	—	179	228	211	218	212	—	219	196	415	—
1967-1968	—	—	184	230	219	225	—	223	206	429	—
1968-1969	—	—	—	186	239	226	—	236	210	446	—
1969-1970	—	—	—	—	193	246	—	237	222	459	—
1970-1971	—	—	—	—	—	199	—	256	223	479	—
1971-1972	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	209	243	452	—
1972-1973	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	196	—	—

develop a long-range plan for the expansion of Wilbraham school facilities before beginning study of the immediate need for additional classroom space in September, 1965. The committee is working on a long-range plan.

In developing a forward time table of action, the 1962 School Survey Committee is working towards a specific recommendation for presentation at a special Town meeting later this year.

Mr. Dorrance T. Green, *Chairman*

Mr. Fred T. Googins	Mr. Allan A. Campbell
Mrs. Ethel M. Musselman	Mr. Andrew G. Duzsik
Mrs. Doris C. Bowman	Mr. Edwin M. Osgood

A glimpse of the Minnechaug Regional High School pool. Inset shows the obvious pleasure and enjoyment the boys and girls derive from this healthy activity.

Photo by H. Bogue

Report of the School Committee
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District

In *Slums and Suburbs,* the latest book in a series of studies of the American school system, Dr. James B. Conant, author and noted educator, provides us with a basis for evaluating the effectiveness of the educational program at Minnechaug High School. "Nationwide," Dr. Conant writes, "some fifty percent of high school graduates go on for some kind of further education. In the suburbs, the figure may run from fifty percent to over ninety percent." How does Minnechaug High School compare with these statistics?

Since this is a new high school and until June, 1961, did not have a graduating class, a statistical study in evaluating our product lacks vitally needed supporting data. Only when we have graduated upward of one thousand pupils will we have sufficient records and depth of information to predict accurately a success pattern for our students. We can, however report on the placement of the class of 1961, and compare these figures with the results of state and national studies. Because the term "college" is used loosely — in one instance to include almost any education beyond high school, and in another to identify four year degree-granting institutions — it is difficult to make intelligent comparisons. If we consider our four year colleges, two year colleges, and three year nursing students together, we have 70% of our graduates in college; the Massachusetts average is approximately 40%. Using the four year degree-granting definition for a college placement, Minnechaug had 48%, as compared with a state average of 25%. The detailed placement of the 1961 Minnechaug High School graduating class follows:

	Pupils	*Percent*
Attending 4 yr. colleges	49	48%
Attending 2 yr. or junior colleges	16	16%
Attending 3 yr. nursing schools	6	5%
Attending practical nursing schools	2	2%
Other schools	4	4%
Armed services	8	7%
Employed	16	15%
Left school	2	2%
Did not graduate	1	1%

Despite the almost emotional national concern being given to college placement of pupils, it is important to note that sixteen members of the class of 1961 were successfully placed in gainful

employment directly from high school. A comprehensive high school must provide a basic education for all the students enrolled, and this we are doing.

The Business Education Department, because its product is immediately tested and evaluated in the competitive situation of business employment, has contributed substantially to the reputation of Minnechaug as a sound academic high school where good work habits and excellent standards of performance are developed and emphasized. The school committee is proud of these pupils and of the faculty that prepared them.

In summary, it again must be stressed that this is the record of a single graduating class and thus cannot be considered a reasonable prediction of the potential of this school or the student body. Continuous and determined attention to their studies by the students, recruiting and holding of qualified teachers by the administration and school committee, and total support of the school and its educational program by the citizens is necessary if this school is to meet the needs of the pupils and fulfill the potential indicated for its success and usefulness.

In addition to evaluating our high school program through a study of the record of the graduates, we need to examine the cost of the educational program being offered. In 1956, when the Regional School District and proposed four year high school were being planned, estimated operating costs were developed and a report mailed to the voters of the district. These costs, based on actual 1956 operating budget figures, indicated that a regional high school would be a sound long term financial investment for the citizens of Hampden and Wilbraham. Today, five years later, after two and one half years of operating experience, these earlier estimates are accurate. The District Planning Committee, in presenting the Regional School District and four year high school to the voters of the district, based its recommendation on the following:

A. The School Department of Springfield had notified Wilbraham and Hampden that soon it would not be able to accept tuition pupils.

B. The growing school population in the two towns made additional classroom construction necessary and inevitable.

C. A high school in this proposed district could and would provide a satisfactory education for the pupils.

D. The citizens of the two communities had demonstrated a willingness and an ability to provide an above average educational opportunity for their children.

E. The record of efficient and prudent management of schools in these two communities made it reasonable to predict that the operating cost of the proposed high school would, over the twenty year period of the construction indebtedness, be such that the total cost of owning and operating a high school would be no greater than sending the pupils to a neighboring school system on a tuition basis.

The assumptions, estimates, and projections of the Planning Committee have now proven to be accurate:

A. Springfield no longer accepts tuition pupils except in the state supported Vocational Trade High School.

B. Even though the two towns have added a substantial number of new classrooms to the local school system, and despite the fact that ninth grade students are now the responsibility of the Regional District instead of the local school systems, there is still a long term need for added classroom space in both communities.

C. The report of the class of 1961 indicates that Minnechaug High School can provide the desired educational opportunity for our pupils.

D. The support of the public schools by the citizens of these communities is a matter of record.

E. The operating estimates, when viewed in the manner in which they were sincerely and honestly presented, a projection of 1956 costs over a twenty year period, reflect the skill and business training of the planning committee. Translating 1956 dollar values into today's cost figures, the expense of education in the Regional District today continues to demonstrate a reasonable long term advantage in owning and operating a high school as compared with paying tuition.

Since 1956, when the teachers' starting salary in this area was $3,400, we have seen established a state minimum salary of $4,000 and the necessity of competing with area communities by establishing a $4,300 minimum in 1961 and an increase to $4,500 for 1962. In salaries alone (and salaries constitutes more than 75% of the operating budget), we have had a 32% inflationary increase. Textbooks, supplies, fuel, and maintenance items have increased in cost, less sharply than salaries, but enough to raise substan-

tially the per pupil costs developed in 1956.

On the same basis that all goods and services have increased in price over the past years, so also has the cost of education. It is more expensive at all grade levels in every community to educate pupils than it was in 1956. This school committee believes that, over the twenty year period of our capital investment, Minnechaug High School will continue to demonstrate an efficiency of business management and an excellence of educational product that will justify the recommendation and predictions of the planning committee and the nearly unanimous support of the citizens when they voted to form this district. This Regional School District was the most economical and practical answer to our high school problem as it developed in 1956, and the present operating experience continues to support the decision.

The previous paragraphs, indicating placement of the first graduating class, and reviewing earlier operating cost estimates, are not intended to imply a complacent satisfaction with the school and its program. There is a continuous review of the policies and programs of study, and a critical analysis of pupil participation and possible benefit.

In the spring of 1961, the school committee postponed for one year the offering of first year German when the pupil enrollment for this subject failed to reach a justifiable number. In advanced Latin, classes in Virgil and Cicero are offered on alternating years, providing a four year Latin program at a reasonable cost.

In the spring term of 1961, the Minnechaug staff completed a detailed self-evaluation of the school and the instructional program. In November, sixteen representatives of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools under the leadership of Mr. Harold S. Fenner, conducted a three day study and evaluation of this high school. The school committee has been officially notified that on the basis of the staff, program, and facilities found here, Minnechaug has become a fully accredited high school. Accreditation is synonymous with professional recognition and acceptance.

Three activities of the district, non-academic in nature but necessary for the successful operation of the school and its use by the citizens, deserve mention in this annual report.

Despite limited student participation in the first years of operation, the Hot Lunch Program has been operating without tax-supported funds, except for an original investment in equipment

and basic supplies.

The behind-the-wheel training in the Driver Education Program, through the kind cooperation of a local automobile dealer in furnishing the vehicle, and the pupils paying for their lessons, is conducted without cost to the district.

The adult evening education and recreation programs and the community use of the swimming pool for evening, Saturday, and the summer activities are on a self-supporting basis, with admission fees paying the operating costs of the program.

The Regional District has provided facilities for several school programs of state-wide interest. The State Gymnastic Meet, the Western Massachusetts Music Association Fall Concert, and the fall meeting of the Massachusetts School Librarians have all been held at Minnechaug High School. Providing our exceptional facilities for these programs has permitted pupils and citizens to attend and participate in unusually interesting events.

Individually, Minnechaug pupils have earned honors and recognition that reflect credit on themselves, their parents, the district, and the school. For the second time in two years, the Science Fair project of Robert Kendrew was awarded first prize in the state competition. In the fall of this year, Frederick Webb received recognition as Minnechaug's first semifinalist in the National Merit Scholarship Test.

In June of this year, the Town of Granby, with its new high school nearing completion, terminated the tuition contract with this district. For the school year 1960-1961, approximately eighty Granby freshmen attended Minnechaug High School. This temporary arrangement, assisting Granby in the education of its pupils when school facilities were not available, and increasing the operational efficiency of our new school in the beginning years when local enrollment did not fully utilize all the facilities, resulted in a good education for the Granby pupils and a sizable reduction in the net cost of operation for this district. Tuition payments in excess of $40,000 have, over two budget years, been applied to reduce the district's annual assessments to the towns.

After six months of careful study, the district committee has contacted the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission in Boston to consider a building expansion program. The following enrollment figures, based on pupils now enrolled in the schools in the district, indicate the need for immediate

consideration. The capacity of the present building is 675 pupils: Granby tuition pupils are omitted from these figures:

	Grades				
Year	9	10	11	12	Total
1960	134	135	110	108	487
1961	195	131	128	106	560
1962	179	195	131	128	633
1963	194	179	195	131	699
1964	182	194	179	195	750
1965	204	182	194	179	759
1966	234	204	182	194	814
1967	244	234	204	182	864
1968	242	244	234	204	924

It is indicated by these enrollment figures that the capacity of the building will be exceeded in 1964 and that for September, 1965, an addition is needed. Scheduling three years for planning purposes, necessary town meetings to authorize action, and the actual construction of the facility requires that action be taken at this time to insure adequate facilities when needed.

In order to continue successfully to recruit and hold desirable staff members, the district committee has voted to establish the starting teachers' salary at $4,500 effective September 1, 1962. This starting salary, with the accompanying adjustment of the teachers' salary schedule, continues the district in a desirable competitive position with area communities, with neither the

Some of the members of the Minnechaug Regional High School Gym Team which won the 1961 Massachusetts State Championship.

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highest nor the lowest salary schedule. The committee has continued the existing policy of not providing non-educationally connected fringe benefits such as dependency payments and various types of insurance coverage. The policy of maintaining competitive salaries and providing adequate supplies and facilities has enabled the district to employ a qualified and highly competent staff.

The school committee is again recorded as being highly pleased with the job performance and professional growth of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District personnel. Excellent progress is being made and we have every expectation of continued good work.

We solicit the suggestions and comments of the citizens of the district and thank you for your assistance and support.

MR. JOHN R. LYMAN, *Chairman*

MR. CHESTER L. THORNDIKE, JR.
MRS. CHARLES I. BOWMAN
MR. DUDLEY N. HARTT, JR.
MR. DONALD E. DICKINSON
MRS. KENNETH WINETROUT
MR. ALEXANDER W. MARCO

HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1961

Planning and Construction Budget	
Balance January 1, 1961	$21,746.59
Expenditures	4,042.56
Balance December 31, 1961	$17,704.03
Capital Cost Budget	
1961 Assessments to Towns	$100,381.09
1961 State Construction Grant	67,271.91
Total Available	$167,653.00
1961 Expenditures	167,612.23
To Surplus Revenue	$40.77
Operating Budget	
1961 Assessments to Town	$343,918.59
1961 Offsetting Credits	56,351.41
	$400,270.00
1961 Expenditures	365,862.50
To Surplus Revenue	$34,407.50
Surplus Revenue Account	
Balance January 1, 1961	$20,187.79
Receipts, 1961	102,636.27
	$122,824.06
To 1962 Operating Budget, Credits	83,648.60
Balance January 1, 1962	$39,175.46

ASSESSMENT OF 1962 REVENUE

Capital Costs			
Debt Service	$160,114.00		
Outlay	9,050.00		
Total Capital Costs		$169,164.00	
1962 Credits, Construction Grant		58,617.91	
Capital Balance to Assess Towns			$110,546.09

Hampden 22.5% — $24,872.87; Wilbraham 77.5% — $85,673.22

Operating Budget			
Total Budget less Capital Costs		$438,164.00	
1961 Receipts, 1962 Credits		83,648.60	
Operating Balance to Assess Towns			$354,515.40
Pupils:	Hampden 125	Wilbraham 443	Total 558
Percentage:	Hampden 22.4	Wilbraham 77.6	Total 100
Assessment:	Hampden $79,411.45	Wilbraham $275,103.95	$354,515.40

TOTAL ASSESSMENTS TO HAMPDEN AND WILBRAHAM

	Capital	Operating	Total	¼ Payment
Hampden	$24,872.87	$79,411.45	$104,284.32	$26,071.08
Wilbraham	85,673.22	275,103.95	360,777.17	90,194.30

Assessments payable in four equal installments not later than the first day of April, June, September and December.

PUPIL ENROLLMENT BY GRADE

October 1, 1961

Grade	Hampden	Monson	Wilbraham	Total
9	39		157	196
10	27		102	129
11	31	1	96	128
12	28		78	107
	125	1	433	559

1962 FINAL MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING BUDGET

No.	*Account*	*1962 Budget*
1	General Control	$15,350.00
2	Expense of Instruction	290,288.00
3	Operation of Plant	51,977.00
4	Maintenance of Plant	9,582.00
5	Auxiliary Agencies	14,142.00
6	Outlay	9,050.00
7	Debt Service	160,114.00
8	Transportation	34,628.00
9	Special Charges	19,197.00
10	Temporary Borrowing	3,000.00
Total		$607,328.00

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
District Office:			
Joann LedDuke	District Treasurer	1961	
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1956	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Kenneth E. Johnson	Assistant Superintendent	1957	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdett College
Joann LedDuke	Secretary	1959	
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
High School Office:			
Lincoln A. Dexter	Principal	1961	B.S., M.Ed., Rhode Island State; State College at Worcester
Richard I. Trenholm	Assistant Principal and Social Studies	1960	B.A., M.A., Bates College; Boston Univ.
Charles B. Thompson	Guidance Director	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; University of New Hampshire
Peter Gartner	Guidance Counsellor	1959	A.B., Bates College
Marjorie Bean	Secretary	1960	
Silvia Peterson	Secretary	1961	
Teachers:			
Rosemary Athearn	Social Studies	1960	B.A., Colby College
Marilyn M. Ats	Languages	1961	B.A., University of Oklahoma
Donald Bamford	Mathematics	1959	B.S., University of Massachusetts
Barbara Broadbent	Physical Education	1959	B.S., Springfield College
Richard A. Brown	Sciences	1959	B.A., Bowdoin College
Christine G. Clark	Business Education	1959	Ac.S., B.S., Bay Path; American International College

Patricia Cox	Speech Therapist	1960	B.A., M.Ed., Northwestern University; Boston University
Judith A. Cross	Home Economics	1961	B.A., Keene Teachers College
Leonard DeMaio	Music	1960	B.Mus., University of Hartford
James DeWolf	Industrial Arts	1959	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Katherine Goulding	Home Economics	1961	B.S., State College at Framingham
Carol Swanson Hooper	Social Studies and English	1960	A.B., Bates College
Dwight D. Killam	Music	1959	B.Mus., M.Music, Syracuse; Boston Univ.
William Michael Kober	Physical Education	1960	B.S., Springfield College
Edgar Law	Mathematics	1960	B.A., Trinity College, Hartford
Vivian Little	English	1959	A.B., M.A., Mount Holyoke; Hartford Seminary Foundation
Alvin J. McNeill	Physical Education	1961	B.S., M.S., Springfield College
Harold K. Miller	Mathematics	1959	B.S., Springfield College
John E. Moore	Industrial Arts	1959	B.S., Gorham State Teachers College
David L. Nass	Social Studies	1960	A.B., Brown University
Lee D. Post	Languages	1959	A.B., M.Ed., Mt. Holyoke College; Springfield College
George H. Robinson, Jr.	Mathematics	1959	B.S., M.Ed., University of Mass.; Springfield College
Laura Saunders	Librarian	1959	B.S., Simmons College
Daphne E. Scourtis	Languages	1960	A.B., Bates College
Mary E. Socha	Languages	1959	B.A., College of New Rochelle
Judith A. Solomon	English	1960	B.S., Simmons College
Richard P. Spencer	English	1959	B.A., University of Massachusetts
James F. Starkie	Music	1959	B.S., State College at Lowell
Karl D. Sternberg	Mathematics and Science	1960	B.A., American International College
Jean M. Stuart	Business Education	1961	B.A., American International College
Joseph B. VanWest	Art	1959	B.S., Tufts; Dip., Sch. of M.S.A.
Helen Walinski	Mathematics	1959	A.B., M.Ed., Our Lady of the Elms; Springfield College

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Constance Willey	English	1961	B.A., American International College
Doris V. Williams	Art	1961	B.S., M.A., Columbia; Springfield College
Wallace Winchell	English	1960	B.A., M.A., New Jersey State Teachers College; Wayne University
W. Fred H. Winey	Biology	1960	B.A., M.A., Washington and Jefferson; University of Massachusetts
Health:			
Arthur H. Goodwin	Doctor	1959	M.D., Tufts
Madelene Newsome	Nurse	1959	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Hot Lunch Program:			
May Jenkins	Manager	1959	
Nancy Clark	Cook	1961	
Leona A. Isham	Cook	1959	
Arlene V. Ross	Cook	1959	
Ruth G. Scheibler	Cook	1959	
Lucille Schieding	Cook	1959	
Gladys Steup	Cook	1961	
Custodians:			
Everett Pickens	Head Custodian	1959	
Walter Polanczak		1959	
Harold Rogers		1959	
Stanley Strycharz		1959	
Leon Superneau		1959	

Transportation:

Stuart F. Hill	Hampden	1959
George W. Motyka	Wilbraham	1959

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Mrs. Grace Kibbe, Treasurer, retired, April 1, 1961
Arthur W. Reynolds, Principal, resigned, August 30, 1961
Virginia White, secretary, resigned, July 1, 1961
Rosetta Angelica, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1961
Rosalie P. Curtis, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1961
Emerson Dunton, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1961
Patricia Madson, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1961
Lois R. Megliola, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1961
Rose Riskalla, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1961
Louise D. Schatz, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1961
Eileen L. Deane, cook, resigned, June 24, 1961

Aid to Agriculture

According to Section 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, any town may appropriate money to be expended by the Trustees for carrying out the provisions of the law under which they are appointed.

The Trustees are appreciative of the support given their agents by local citizens who, without compensation, ably assisted in extending the various programs in farm practices, home problems and management, also the work with youth groups through 4-H Club activities.

The following leaders incurred expenses, either for travel or for the purchase of material needed for the various projects under their direction: Mrs. Raymond Beach, Mrs. Clifford Bradway, Mrs. Donald E. Collins, Mrs. Clifford DuBray, Mrs. Walter J. Freeley, Mrs. John Fynan, Mr. and Mrs. Herman G. Grandchamp, Mrs. David Greenaway, Mrs. James Gurecki, Cynthia Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest LaVasseir, Mrs. George Lemieux, Mrs. Sidney Low, Mrs. Edward J. Luff, Alison Murray, Mrs. Clifford Patric, Mrs. Norman Philibotte, Mrs. Jesse Rice, Mrs.

Minnechaug Regional High School was the scene for a public viewing of the lunar eclipse on August 25, 1961 — members of the Springfield Stars Club were hosts.

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Denny G. Richter, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Riendeau, Mrs. Charles J. Smith, Jr., Christine Welch, Mrs. E. H. Wessells, Mrs. Roger Whitehill and Mrs. Irene C. Wright.

The agent's counsel and assistance has been available to all citizens of the County without charge.

Any Appropriation made by the Town to the Trustees is held by the County Treasurer and used exclusively for reimbursing any local resident of the Town for necessary expenditures in carrying out projects provided by the law under which the Trustees are appointed.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1961 Appropriation	$150.00
1960 Unexpended Balance	42.30
Total Available for 1961	$192.30
Total Expenditures in 1961	117.82
1962 Balance Available	$74.48
1962 Recommended Appropriation	$100.00

ALBERT H. FULLER, *Clerk*

Animal Inspector

A total of 255 animals were inspected: 149 dairy cattle, 16 beef cattle, 25 horses, 12 goats, 49 sheep, and 4 swine. All animals were found to be clean and free of disease.

DAVID E. BREHAUT

Assessors' Report

In accordance with Article 25, voted at the 1961 Annual Town meeting, the Board of Assessors awarded a contract to the J. M. Cleminshaw Company to carry out an equalization program of all non-exempt taxable properties.

The J. M. Cleminshaw Company is one of the oldest appraisal firms in the country and is known nationally for the quality of their work. In the last few years, this concern has completed equalization programs in the neighboring towns of Hampden, East Longmeadow, Ludlow, Hatfield, Williamsburg, Whately and Sunderland. The contract calls for use of experienced field men and appraisers with a completion date of April 1, 1962.

As of January 1, 1962, the field work, consisting of measuring and listing each building has been completed. The appraiser is reviewing the field data so that the new formula can be applied

to each building. A committee of local realtors met with the Cleminshaw job manager and the Assessors to review tentative land valuation procedures. Informal hearings will be scheduled in March for property owners to discuss the new values with Cleminshaw representatives.

We wish to express our thanks to each property owner for the fine cooperation given the J. M. Cleminshaw personnel.

In December 1961 the Supreme Judicial Court ruled in the case of Bettigole vs. Springfield Assessors that fractional assessment was in violation of the State Constitution even though the same fraction was applied to all classes of properties. The possible effect of this decision in relation to church properties was discussed with representatives of the local churches. The full effect of the Court decision has not been completely ascertained at the writing of this report, but we will conform to the State Tax Commissioner's interpretation.

In September 1960, the Board of Assessors hired the American Appraisal Company to defend the established values of the Red Bridge dam and power station. Formerly this hydro-electric station was owned by the Ludlow Manufacturing Company, but the new owner, Western Massachusetts Electric Company, appealed this value of some years standing. The Appellate Tax Board hearing was held in May, 1961 and the Board viewed the property in November, 1961. At the writing of this report no decision as to the Court's opinion of value has been received, but a decision in favor of the Electric Company could increase the tax rate by as much as one dollar.

Due to the misunderstandings held by many people, we feel it necessary to mention two points. First, state law requires owners of personal property other than household furnishings to file a form of list with the Assessors prior to March first each year. Second, any type of application for abatement on real estate, or personal property must be filed with the Assessors on or before October first each year.

Each taxpayer is reminded that the basic function of the Assessors is to determine value. The tax rate and individual tax bill are the direct result of the appropriations made at the annual and special town meetings. The Assessors perform a mechanical operation of dividing the total property value into the money to be raised by taxation to arrive at the tax rate.

The sources of income, state and county taxes, number of

polls and total property values are shown in the following table of aggregates.

EDWARD H. GODFREY, *Chairman*
HAROLD K. JONES
ALLAN R. KINNEY

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Appropriation to be raised by taxation	$1,461,098.67	
Appropriations taken from available funds	388,271.95	$1,849,370.62
Tax and Assessments		
State Parks and Reservations	3,944.05	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,712.37	
County Tax	12,864.93	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	1,018.84	
Overlay of current year	33,952.30	53,492.49
		$1,902,863.11

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Income Tax	$100,709.06	
Corporation Tax	26,133.82	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	436.91	
Old Age Meal Tax	1,171.20	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	128,581.10	
Licenses	6,976.24	
Fines	1,847.00	
Special Assessments	4,040.58	
General Government	2,387.65	
Protection of Persons and Property	2,236.50	
Charities (other than Federal Grants)	2,262.12	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	10,759.58	
Veterans' Services	2,021.65	
School (Funds from Income Tax not to be included)	50,334.57	
Libraries	840.00	
Public Service Enterprises (Water)	61,076.13	
Interest: (On Taxes and Assessments)	3,513.80	
State Assistance for School Construction	74,638.29	
Farm Animal Excise	182.49	
Overestimates County Tax	28.52	
Taken from Available Funds	388,271.95	$868,449.16
Net amount to be raised by taxation on Polls and Property		1,034,413.95
		$1,902,863.11

Number of Polls — 2198		
Tax on Polls		$4,396.00
Valuation of Personal Property	$892,085.00	
Tax on Personal Property		63,338.04
Valuation of Real Estate	13,615,210.00	
Tax on Real Estate		966,679.91
Total Valuation	$14,507,295.00	
Total Tax on Polls and Property		$1,034,413.95
Tax Rate per $1,000 — $71.00		

Building Inspector

Permits — Number and Type	*Estimated Cost*
99 Dwellings	$1,386,400.00
2 School Additions	457,363.00
14 Room Additions	34,495.00
16 Alterations	18,880.00
12 Garages	18,050.00
4 Porches	2,200.00
4 Tool Sheds	1,525.00
1 Summer Cottage	5,000.00
2 Turkey Sheds	6,500.00
1 Rain Shelter	6,500.00
1 Unloading Ramp	13,000.00
1 Retail Store	6,500.00
1 Swimming Pool	1,500.00
4 Fallout Shelters	5,300.00
7 Demolition	
	$1,963,213.00

Inspections: 300 New Buildings; 102 Plumbing; 105 Septic Tanks; 62 Additions and Alterations; 31 Gas Piping.

ANTHONY G. MASCARO

Report of the Committee to Study the Center

Following the Annual Town Meeting in 1961 the evidence of the interest in a new library, the growing traffic problem in the center at the intersection of Main and Springfield Streets, and the possibility that unused land now available in that area would not long be available, prompted the Selectmen to appoint a committee to study the future development of the center. It was the

purpose of this committee to supplement the long range plans which the Planning Board had been authorized to prepare and in greater detail than those plans would permit. While the possibility of developing a center in a new location was considered, it was decided at an early stage that the present center was the logical nucleus for further development. This decision was dictated by the fact that it is close to the geographic center and included many of the facilities desired in the center, so-called — store, a post office, fire station, park area, historic site — and further because there was additional available land.

The plan which is under consideration involves the following steps:

1. The gradual enlargement of Crane Park through the acquisition of neighboring properties over a number of years.
2. The relocation of some of the stores and service facilities in a new neighborhood shopping area between the present Post Office and the Fire Station.
3. The setting aside of some land facing on the enlarged park for future town buildings.
4. The routing of traffic and providing for off street parking to reduce the congestion which now exists.

This program has been discussed with the Selectmen, the Planning Board and their Planning Consultant, the Finance Committee and the property owners within the area under consideration. Tentative approval of the program has been general. It is hoped that final plans will be ready for presentation to a public hearing and a special town meeting later in the spring.

HARRY C. CRAWFORD, JR., *Chairman*

HEROL HARRINGTON	WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR.
ROBERT G. CARTER	DOROTHY B. SIGSBEE
WILLIAM H. SHORTELL	BERT MOUNT
JAMES BRADY MCGUIRE	ARTHUR I. MACDONALD
ANNE HARTT	CHARLES I. BOWMAN

Civil Defense

There has been considerable interest in Civil Defense since July 25, 1961 when President Kennedy warned the people of the country of the factual hazard of radioactivity in the event of a nuclear

blast and the possibility of individuals surviving under such conditions.

A shelter program was emphasized, publicized and criticized, and your local organization has been waiting patiently until the Federal and State Civil Defense Agencies have sufficiently crystalized their thinking to organize their resources to render the service for which they were originally intended. In the meantime, our own program is being maintained with a minimum of effort which explains the balance in our 1961 appropriation which we have requested be carried forward for the current year. The communications service and the other staff members meet every Monday night and discuss all phases of CD currently expounded that might affect us.

Our first Radiological course in the technique of measuring radioactive fall-out was completed in December and we intend to start two more courses during the coming year. These courses will be conducted by Professor Randolph of Wilbraham Academy and if you are interested in taking such a course, kindly watch the newspapers for further information.

You will note that the budget for the current year has been reduced to a bare minimum and we plan to keep our expenditures only to the absolute necessities. It is our understanding with the Finance Committee that any justifiable expense or unforeseeable emergencies that present themselves during the coming year that require an expenditure more than our budget will stand, due consideration for a transfer from the reserve account will be made to meet such additional cost.

We are taking this position because of the uncertainty of the State and Federal participation under the present program. We feel our community program is superior to ninety-nine percent of other communities of the same size and also more complete than many large cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth.

It is unfortunate that such a vital phase of government is in such a chaotic condition. Every individual, family, organization or group should provide for some kind of emergency planning on their own. The government is anticipating certain participation because they feel responsible and, therefore, the question of how much or to what degree, seems to be the question at this time. In the meantime, your local organization has no other alternative than to proceed with our own local problem and to promote a program of "Public Information" on knowing "What To Do,

When To Do It, and How To Do It." We feel this is a simple approach to a complicated problem and when the time arrives to embark on a concentrated program of community emergency planning, the individuals who have taken advantage of the opportunities offered them by your local organization will not be unprepared.

As a final item in this year's report it is only natural to pay tribute to one of our departed staff members, Harland Rogers, who died on December 28, 1961. He was the Communications Officer since the reorganization of our Civil Defense in 1955. Our present radio systems and various networks that we have in Town on our emergency vehicles are due to his conscientious and devoted interest in this field. His presence at our weekly meetings will be missed and we wish to express our deepest sympathy to his family.

At this time we hope you appreciate the efforts of the volunteers in this CD Program and we stand ready at all times to assist in any and all emergencies.

ROGER T. HINTZE, *Director*
LINCOLN DEXTER, *Deputy Director*
HARLAND ROGERS, *Deputy Director*
WALTER HOWE, *Deputy Director*

Dog Officer

The following report for 1961 will indicate that there was a large increase in both the licensing and care of stray dogs and dog bites, but a decrease in live stock liability.

790 dogs were licensed

35 cases of dog bites were investigated and the dogs quarantined

67 stray dogs were picked up during the year
(46 returned to owners — 21 disposed of)

27 dogs were reported missing by owners
(16 were recovered)

6 dogs were killed by automobiles and were disposed of

Livestock killed by dogs — 10 bantam chicks (damage paid by owner of dog)

2 cases of cat bites

A total of 613.9 miles were logged by the Dog Officer.

DAVID E. BREHAUT

Electrical Inspector

From the period of Jan. 1, 1961 through Dec. 31, 1961, there were 202 electrical permits issued. These permits were issued for the following purposes:

99 new residences
4 commercial buildings
13 service increases
7 water heaters (separate from new residences)
18 oil burners (separate from new residences)
8 electric dryers (separate from new residences)
4 post or yard lights (separate from new residences)
4 garages
2 air conditioners
35 additional outlets
8 electric ranges

WM. E. FITZGERALD, JR.

Fire Department

Telephone number LY 6-3111, our emergency phone for incoming calls, is to be used only for reporting fires and emergencies. For all other business pertaining to Fire Department, please dial LY 6-3122 or LY 6-3014. This is very important.

Fire Loss:	
Buildings (45)	$27,018.33
Contents	10,310.00
Assessed Valuations	358,115.00

Department responded to 248 alarms: 45 buildings, 62 grass and brush, 19 automobiles, 10 dumps, 7 miscellaneous, 11 mutual aid out of town, and 94 emergencies. Forty tanks of oxygen were used.

Seventy-nine permits were issued for installation of oil burning equipment, 15 permits were issued for L. P. Gas equipment, 17 permits were issued for dynamite, 161 inspections, 81 extinguishers were recharged. All schools and public buildings were inspected and found in order.

For their cooperation and assistance, I express my heartfelt gratitude to the Fire Dispatchers, the Call Men, the Auxiliary, to the members of the Board of Selectmen, Fire Commissioners,

Chief Bill Pollitt and his men, the State Police, Dr. John Sigsbee and others who may have helped during the past year.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR., *Chief*

ROSTER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Permanent: Chief Ralph Tupper, Sr.; Asst. Chief Cyril Woods; Private Kent Folsom.

Dispatchers: Mary Chapman; Berenice Tupper; Martha Woods.

Call Men: Asst. Chief Raymond Beach, Jr.; Capt. John Campsie; Drillmaster, Lt. Charles Dorey; First Aid Instructor, Harold Porter; George King; Roger Whitehill; John Brackinisky; Philip Shaw; Ronald VonFlatern; Wesley Chapman; David Macdonald; Andrew Grzybowski; Bryant Carpenter; Robert Dietz.

Auxiliary Men: John Hess; Clifton Scott; Edward Clark; Stanley Johnson; Karl Tupper; William Tupper; Philip Danforth; Joel Hawthorne; Walter Howe; Louis Lovett; John Anderson; George Jackson, Jr.; George Jenkins; David Chapman; Edward Bach; Homer Henley; Ephrain Carron; Lawrence Rose; Robert Macauley; David McDonald; Richard Beane; Leonard VonFlatern; Timothy Maxfield; William Strausburg.

Forest Warden

Four thousand one hundred and ninety-three (4193) permits were issued for open air fires. Under State Law a permit is required for open air fires. At numerous times of the year, no burning in the open is allowed. For said permit dial LY 6-3014 or LY 6-3122. Our emergency phone, LY 6-3111, is not to be used for this purpose.

The only incinerator that can be used in the open without a permit must be one that releases no sparks or open flame. Wire basket type is not allowed in Wilbraham. If in doubt when purchasing an incinerator, call the Fire Chief for information.

Deputy Forest Wardens: Chief Pollitt, John Chrzanowski, Newton Goewey, Charles Dorey, Raymond Beach, Jr., Kent Folsom, Cyril Woods, John Sigsbee and Robert Dietz.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR.

Board of Health

During 1961, eighteen licensed eating and drinking establishments were inspected and nine markets were inspected at least once every two months.

Two day camps and one motel were inspected during the year.

Forty-two milk and milk dealers licenses and 14 oleomargarine licenses were issued during 1961.

Ten public health nuisances were investigated. All ten nuisances were abated in accordance with standard health practices.

Four samples of water from Spec Pond were analyzed during the summer. Results showed the water to be of excellent quality for swimming purposes.

Nine private water supplies were inspected and samples of water analyzed from each supply. In the future greater emphasis will be placed on the inspection and approval of private water supplies within the Town.

Both town dumps were inspected frequently. Since one dump closed in the late fall, greater supervision has been directed to the one town dump. Maintenance of the dump has been good from a health standpoint.

One hearing was held by the Board of Health with the results of the hearing being favorable.

The Board of Health was extremely active during 1961 and every indication is that it will continue active in 1962.

I wish to thank the public for the fine co-operation extended to me during the past year.

JOHN A. BRICKETT, R.S., *Agent-Sanitarian*

Industrial Development Committee Report

At the organization meeting of the Industrial Development Committee December 14, 1960, the purpose and objectives were stated as follows:

PURPOSE: Is and will be to bring and encourage desirable business to Wilbraham through the following:

OBJECTIVES:

1. *Brochure:* A brochure will be planned and printed for introduction and promotion of available land space in Wilbraham.

This has been done. An attractive brochure describing our industrial area and outlining the advantages of Wilbraham for living and for doing business has been produced. Many copies have been distributed to industries who might be interested in locating here at some time in the not too distant future.

2. Keeping present industries pleased; contact them and promote an atmosphere of co operation and help.

To the best of our ability this objective has been carried out. Various members of the Committee have talked with some of the existing industries and offered co-operation.

3. Have plot maps made of Industrial Area, reach owners

of available land, visit existing buildings and travel possible land areas on foot.

All of this has been done. The male members of the committee have checked the land, measured it, contacted owners to secure their co-operation, established approximate land values and finally, with the services of the Town Engineers — Anderson Associates, have prepared adequate and suitable maps for use in connection with our promotional activities.

Further, and in addition to our stated objectives, our committee has developed a Covenant to cover specifications relating to proposed new buildings in the Industrial Area.

We have also produced a presentation for use in explaining our Town and its advantages, and feel that it has been well received and has graphically outlined the desirability of Wilbraham for industrial location.

Now that the groundwork has been laid, we are approaching industries and are in negotiation with several important companies. We shall hope to have something concrete to report by Town Meeting date.

ARTHUR BINDER, *Chairman*

ROLAND SIROIS, *Vice Chairman*
LEO PARADIS, *Treasurer*
MRS. H. S. PUTNAM, JR., *Secretary*
MRS. A. D. BECKER
CLYDE F. BARLOW
DONALD BREADY
LARRY D. LEWIS
BERT MOUNT

Our young ballerinas are taught by Mrs. Adeline Johnson who has been teaching dancing to the youngsters of Wilbraham for over 25 years and is now teaching the children of some of her early pupils. The United Church Women's Guild sponsors the ballet classes.

Photo by R. McGee

Jury List — 1961-1962

Bagienski, Walter, 20 Main St., W. ..... Factory Worker
Barnhart, Philip M., 8 E. Colonial Rd., W. ..... Salesman
Behrens, Fred E., 716 Main St., W. ..... Machinist
Boden, Frank J., 195 Main St., W. ..... Counselor
Bowman, Doris C., 604 Main St., W. ..... Housewife
Brophy, Grace E., 15 Delmor Circle, W. ..... Proofreader
Bush, Caroline M., 210 Springfield St., W. ..... Housewife
Callan, Rowena M., 13 Devonshire Dr., W. ..... Housewife
Cross, Kenneth A., 356 Springfield St., W. ..... Line Foreman
Davies, James T., 13 Pine Drive, N.W. ..... Chemist
Dibble, Gladys, 758 Main St., W. ..... Housewife
Edson, Elliot G., 7 Hickory Hill Dr., W. ..... Draftsman
Elkas, Harold G., 39 Faculty St., W. ..... Salesman
Farnsworth, Vernon R., Jr., 30 Ripley St., W. ..... Insurance Worker
Frost, William W., 58 Mountain Rd., N.W. ..... Foreman
Gale, John W., 200 Main St., W. ..... Retired
Graham, Everett W., 110 Main St., W. ..... Safety Engineer
Gray, Coralie M., 787 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Hartt, Dudley N., Jr., 14 Birch St., W. ..... Lawyer
Irla, Edward W., 12 Brainard Rd., N.W. ..... Businessman
Jack, Kenneth Q., 31 Springfield St., W. ..... Supervisor
Jackson, George S., 10 Pease St., W. ..... Accountant
Jeffrey, Harry R., 717 Main St., W. ..... Retired
Jones, Harold K., 11 Delmor Circle, W. ..... Insurance Worker
Juechter, John W., Jr., 72 Beebe Rd., W. ..... Engineer
Laurino, Thomas E., 81 Bridge St., N.W. ..... Toolmaker
Lebel, Albert O., 4 Bradlind Ave., N.W. ..... Builder
Lyman, John R., Ridge Rd., W. ..... Businessman
Magill, Dorothy C., 18 Decorie Dr., W. ..... Secretary
Magruder, S. Henry, 505 Mountain Rd., W. ..... Sales Engineer
Marchese, Katheryn E., 8 West Colonial Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Melanson, Edward G., 274 Mountain Rd., N.W. ..... Contractor
Miller, Frederick B., 600 Glendale Rd., W. ..... Businessman
Moore, Spencer W., 744 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Manager
Murphy, Alexander, 1315 Tinkham Rd., W. ..... Toolmaker
Newhouse, Warren T., 9 Brookside Dr., W. ..... Sales Manager
Phelon, John B., Ely Rd., W. ..... Personnel
Putnam, Haldimond S., Jr., 2 Bayberry Rd., W. ..... Treasurer
Porter, E. Helen, 4 Monson Rd., W. ..... Assistant Manager
Riga, H. Bradford, 21 Brookside Dr., W. ..... Treasurer
Roach, Madeline C., 916 Tinkham Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Sagen, Walter M., 7 Sunnyside Ter., W. ..... Factory Worker
Spormann, Carl H., 250 Mountain Rd., N.W. ..... Tool Engineer
Sullivan, William, Jr., 9 Old Orchard Rd., W. ..... Manager
Szczebak, Stanley, 347 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Pharmacist
VonFlatern, Ronald, 843 Main St., W. ..... Lineman
Wahlberg, John, 21 Springfield St., W. ..... Office Worker
Williams, Mansfield W., 10 Colonial Rd., W. ..... Engineer

Wilbraham Public Library

A good indication of the cultural level of any town is its library. When a town grows as rapidly as Wilbraham and the schools expand, a good library is particularly important. The Wilbraham Public Library is fortunate to have an excellent professional staff which serves the community exceedingly well in spite of being handicapped by lack of space and facilities.

The State Library Association succeeded in having a bill put through the Legislature that gives each library in the Commonwealth an opportunity to bring some public funds to the town, provided it meets certain minimum standards. Wilbraham's Library easily met the standards because of the training and ability of its staff; and the Town Treasurer received the full quota for a town of its size. The problem of maintaining the standards confronts the staff because of the limited shelf space for books to be purchased over the year. Even though a severe discard system is in operation, new books added more than fill the vacated shelves. Only because of the constant and rapid circulation can as many books be available as there are.

The "fine system" was put into practice this year. As a result, books are kept in greater circulation, and the people of Wilbraham have helped the Town's budget.

The sharp increase in the children's book circulation and attendance at Story Hours has forced the librarians to use their ingenuity to meet the demands in the limited space. It may appear the trustees dwell upon the lack of space unduly, but it is becoming crucial.

The Friends of the Library sponsored a letter, written by Mrs. Katharine Dingman, which listed the many gifts of books and magazines the Library has received. There has also been a gift from the estate of Miss Edith Helmer of several oil paintings which the late Miss Mabel Welch, noted painter of miniatures on ivory, had painted. The Garden Clubs decorated the Library beautifully in keeping with the holiday season.

It is the gifts, the thoughtfulness of the Townspeople and their suggestions that have helped the librarians and trustees to serve the Town to the best of the ability of each.

Loni Brower, *Chairman*
James B. McGuire
M. Gertrude Ronk

WILBRAHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS

Holdings:		
Number of volumes in library, January 1, 1961		13,850
Number of volumes added by purchase	1,140	
Number of volumes added by gift	136	
Number of volumes discarded and lost	463	
Number of volumes in library, January 1, 1962		14,663
Registration:		
Adult	1,444	
Children	961	
Total registration (786 gain over 1960)		2,405
Circulation:		
Adult (including periodicals)	18,166	
Juvenile (including periodicals and school)	27,169	
Total circulation (gain of 7,222 over 1960)		45,335
Special Services:		
Books borrowed on interlibrary loan		18
Reserve book notices mailed to borrowers		435
Overdue notices mailed to borrowers		2,796
Fines collected in 1961:		$648.90

Personnel Study Committee Report

This committee was authorized by the Selectmen on April 26, 1961 to make a study of the occupational and wage structure of the Town employees (excluding Dept. of Schools) and subsequently to make appropriate recommendations to the Finance Committee.

The first step was a discussion with supervisors, commissioners, and trustees explaining the study as it was intended to evolve. Following this, an explanatory letter was given to all employees along with a job description questionnaire which each employee was expected to fill out. With the assistance of the supervisors, the committeemen then proceeded to write up these questionnaires into actual job descriptions which will become permanent records of the Town under this system.

The next step was an evaluation and comparison of each job to comparative jobs within the Town, with towns of fairly equal population in the nearby region, and with other towns in Massachusetts. Here the committee endeavored to put all jobs in Town on a fair and equitable basis, moneywise, as judged by these comparisons. Having done this, the next step was to set up a rate and salary range for each job and a recommended schedule to go with it. Other related recommendations were made which the committee felt was essential.

At a joint meeting of the Selectmen, the Finance Committee, and the Personnel Study Committee on January 4, 1962, the recommendations were accepted by the Selectmen and the Finance Committee. The latter two groups then requested that the Personnel Study Committee remain intact and proceed on another study for the Town employees (excluding Dept. of Schools) in regard to fringe benefits such as vacations, holidays, etc. This committee agreed to do this and to complete this study before the end of 1962.

ROBERT SIMPSON, *Chairman*
JOHN BEMBEN, *Secretary*
ALBERT NEALE
HERMAN GRANDCHAMP
DARREL AMES
EARL DECORIE

Pest Control Report

During 1961 the recommendations of the Department of Natural Resources regarding the control of Dutch elm disease were as follows: a good sanitation program; a good sampling program; the prompt removal and destruction of Dutch elm diseased trees; and the dormant spraying of valued trees as a supplement to the sanitation program. The Town of Wilbraham has attempted to follow these recommendations and we hope during 1962 to continue along these lines. We feel that much progress has been made in Wilbraham and by keeping abreast of the problem, a costly crash program of diseased tree removal can be averted. It is hoped that the disease can be arrested and eventually eliminated before the American elm goes the way of the American chestnut.

The roadside elms in Wilbraham were sprayed during the early spring for the control of elm leaf beetle and European elm bark beetle (Dutch elm disease carrier). During the year, 58 samples of suspected elms were collected and submitted to the Shade Tree Laboratories at the University of Massachusetts for testing. All of these samples contained the fungus Ceratostomella ulmi or Dutch elm disease. These 58 positive samples represented a total of 79 individual trees (clumps and twin trees are generally sampled as one unit). There was a hold-over of 98 known diseased elms from 1960 sampling programs giving a total of 177 known diseased elms tagged for removal. As of December 31, 1961, 133 of these trees have been removed and burned. Town crews supervised by the Pest Control Officer removed 123 of these trees along with a number of completely dead "beetle carry-

ing" elms. Removal of 10 of the larger trees was accomplished by private tree companies. On December 31, 1961 there remained 44 known diseased elms which, according to state law, will have to be removed and destroyed before May 1, 1962.

In 1961 once again we found no Gypsy moth egg clusters in Wilbraham. We suffered a brief outbreak of forest tent caterpillar in early June near the Woodland Dell Cemetery which was controlled with one spraying.

Once again a mosquito control program was conducted in Wilbraham. Many complaints of intense mosquito infestation were heard from all sections of Wilbraham before the first residential aerial spray was conducted on June 19 and 20. This was followed by another spray on August 2, 1961. We feel that the spraying program was a necessity from a health standpoint as well as allowing the community more pleasure out of doors. We feel that the program was successful and hope to continue the aerial spray program.

Some hand treating of swamp and idle water for mosquito larvae control was conducted during 1961. Ground spraying in areas not covered by the aerial spray was also attempted with favorable results.

All requests for poison ivy control in public areas were attended to.

Gordon R. Long

Planning Board

The Wilbraham Planning Board held twelve regular monthly meetings during 1961. In addition, there were five special meetings.

Public hearings were held for the presentation of ten subdivisions. These were approved subject to performance bonds and, in some instances, changes to provide facility for adequate drainage. Board requirements have been met in all but one subdivision on which the bond has not been posted. As a result, final approval is being withheld.

As required under the law, the Board together with the Selectmen, Planning Board Engineer and the Highway Superintendent viewed the twenty-three streets which were presented for consideration of acceptance by the Town Meeting.

Five special meetings and hearings were held during 1961. One of these concerned a zoning change for a shopping center. A

very strong negative public reaction was evidenced with the result that the petitioner took no further action.

A matter of notable significance was the action taken by the voters at a Special Town Meeting held in July. The Board's request for favorable action on an appropriation for the furtherance of a Master Plan Study was supported. Proposals were submitted by three firms, the lowest being offered by Technical Planning Associates who have been retained for the job. The necessary forms have been submitted to obtain a Federal Grant under the Federal Housing Act.

During 1961 the Board established a new scale of rates that applies to performance bonds issued for street construction, including water and drainage. The running foot costs are slightly over twice the previous rates. Naturally, this action did not meet with the approval of the subdividers, but increasing costs of construction required such a step in order to give adequate protection to the Town.

Wilbraham continues to be one of the more popular residential towns in the area as evidenced by an approximate 17% increase in housing starts for 1961. This growth is greater than the Board forecast in the 1960 Report, but it consists chiefly of houses of better than average value. The Planning Board will do all in its power to maintain the position of the Town as a desirable residential community.

LEO E. KUEHN, *Chairman*

ROBERT G. CARTER
ROBERT A. EDWARDS
RICHARD H. MORGAN
BION T. WHEELER, JR.

Playground Commission Report

The Wilbraham Supervised Playground Program enjoyed another successful season in 1961. It conducted a six weeks schedule from July 10th to August 18th. The program was conducted at Memorial Playground under the supervision of Richard Spencer. He was assisted by Joseph Van West, Helen Walinski, Nancy Muir and Beth Moore.

An average of 150 children participated in games, contests, shows, arts, crafts and sporting events. A very successful picnic was held the last day of the season.

The athletic fields were kept in excellent condition by Mr. Spencer and a few assistants.

The Playground Commissioners commend all their workers

for a job well done. They also wish to thank the Highway Department, the Water Department and the Selectmen's Office for assistance rendered during the year.

ROBERT J. DRISCOLL, *Chairman*
BRUCE S. CRAWFORD
DR. JOHN J. FERRI

Police Department

It is a pleasure to submit to you the annual report of the Wilbraham Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1961.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief: William Pollitt. *Regular Patrolmen:* John J. Chrzanowski, Newton W. Goewey, Jr. *Reserve Patrolmen:* Steven Lopata, Alton L. McDonald. *Auxiliary Police:* Sgt. John J. Connor, Sgt. Wellington C. Rose, Sgt. Emeric J. Wyzik, Sgt. Ralph M. Kilcourse, Philip Britten, Joseph Crespi, William Hartman, John Y. Hess, George N. Levakis, Jr., Alexander Murphy, William H. Rademaekers, Donald A. Bump, Joseph A. Cloutier, Robert A. Converse, Edward E. Dearborn, Harold R. Hartman, Morrison J. Marelli, Howard S. McIntosh, David E. Brehaut, Albert T. Gouvin, Jr., Arthur W. Hunt, Jr., Stanley J. Pabis, John Ward, Walter S. Wirzbicki, Thaddeus J. Bierowka, Thaddeus Domanowski, Donald R. Emerson, Carl B. Martins, Alfred E. Patrie, Allyn K. Peterson. *School Traffic Officers:* Mrs. Mary Strycharz, Mrs. Marjorie Goewey, Mrs. Alice Boyer, Mrs. Alice Christensen.

While the year 1961 was marked by fewer accidents than the previous year, there were more crimes committed of a serious nature.

On July 1st, Officer Gardner Files resigned and Auxiliary Police Sergeant Newton Goewey was appointed to take his place. The Selectmen, acting as Police Commissioners, realizing that police training is a community investment and not an expense, sent Officer Goewey to the State Police Training School in Framingham where he graduated after completing a month's training.

Chief Pollitt attended a course in crime investigation given by the F.B.I.

Officer John Chrzanowski, in his capacity as Safety Officer for the Town, attended monthly meetings of the Safety Council and made 18 visits to the Wilbraham Schools and Boy Scouts showing films and stressing the safety needs.

Sergeant John Connor of the Auxiliary Police was appointed to take charge of the Auxiliary and conduct their training program. We are indeed fortunate that we have such an outstanding

group of men who are always ready to give their services to the Town in case of need.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Auxiliary Police and the Regular Officers of the Department for the fine co-operation given me and the many hours of unpaid work they have performed.

To Chief Ralph Tupper and his men of the Fire Department; to Highway Superintendent Herbert Butler and to Dr. John Sigsbee, we of the Police Department express our thanks for the splendid co-operation we received throughout the year.

We would especially like to thank Seargeant Chet Ruszczyk and his men of the Monson Barracks for the fine co-operation given us throughout the year.

Again I wish to express my most sincere appreciation to the Board of Selectmen for their co-operation during the entire year.

WILLIAM POLLITT, *Chief*

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR

Crimes Against Property: Breaking and Entering to Commit Larceny, 8; Larceny, 1. *Crimes Against Public Order:* Drunkenness, 7; Disturbing the Peace, 2; Non-Support, 1. *Motor Vehicle Violations:* Passing with view obstructed, 45; Operating under the influence of intoxicating liquor, 10; Operating to endanger, 11; Failing to stop at a Stop Sign, 17; Failing to stop at a Red Light, 9; Speeding, 57; Taking a Motor Vehicle without the authority of the owner, 1; Cases referred to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for action, 10; Cases filed with warning, 55. *Summary of Traffic Accidents:* Property damage accidents, 61; Personal injury accidents, 30; Total number of accidents, 79; Number of persons injured, 58; Number of persons killed, 1. *Other Activity:* Doors or windows found open at night in business establishments, 61; Vacant homes checked for people on vacation, 118; Persons reported missing, found and taken home, 5; Complaints received and investigated, 288; Stolen cars recovered, 4; Summons served for other Police Departments, 238; Injured persons taken to the hospital in the Police Cruiser, 15; Escapees apprehended, 2. *Money received and turned over to the Town Clerk:* Firearms permits, $124.00; Copies of Accident reports, $141.00; Received by the Town from court fines, $1,345.00.

Report of Radio Committee

This committee has very little to report for the past year. However, we are still investigating the best method of alerting our emergency personnel whenever needed. Radio monitoring sets with fixed crystals tuned to our local wave lengths, seem now to be the best possibility, and until a demonstration can be scheduled no further action can be taken. We have recently asked for

a demonstration and we hope the matter can be resolved so that we may report to the townspeople on our findings.

It is a recognized fact that our present "Fire Siren" system is not sufficient to alert all townspeople. Plans to up-date our present system are under consideration at this time. In order to cover all phases of emergencies, it is first necessary to alert the emergency personnel who, in turn, will alert the townspeople under those conditions which are necessary. Furthermore, the spoken word giving directions and instructions will save considerable time in every day emergencies which, in turn, will save lives and property values.

It is the opinion of the Radio Committee that our radio networks can be further utilized in our emergency planning and under proper joint controls, with your emergency planning committee, considerable gains can be made in the saving of lives, property and maintenance. In the opinion of this committee, such action is a real progressive step in the planning for the welfare of the people of this community.

We regret the loss of one of our committee members, namely Harland Rogers, who died on December 28, 1961. His constructive criticism was most helpful because of his experience in the communication field. We regret his loss and extend our sympathies to his family.

Roger T. Hintze, *Chairman*

Herbert Butler — Harland Rogers
Ralph Tupper — William Pollitt

Sealer of Weights and Measures

During 1961 I sealed 204 weighing and measuring devices, of which 26 needed adjustment before passing inspection. I condemned one scale. The fees collected for this service totalled $140.90, and the cost of supplies, etc., amounted to $4.85. These figures represent an increase in fees and a decrease in costs, and show a trend in the direction of profit.

The most significant event in the sealer's year was the increase of 9.09% in salary voted at the March town meeting, which was gratefully received as a magnanimous gesture on the part of the voters. Although the dollar value of the gesture was only $25, the degree of satisfaction to the Town arising from magnanimity of deed is inversely proportional to the cost thereof.

Charles L. Merrick

Slaughtering Inspector

One Beef Cattle was slaughtered in Wilbraham in 1961. The carcass was inspected and stamped.

David E. Brehaut

Spec Pond Recreational Area Report

The Spec Pond Recreational Area, acclaimed to be one of the finest recreational facilities in Western Massachusetts, completed another extremely successful year. Visitors from other towns and other states have marveled at the excellence of our recreational area. This is especially impressive when it is realized that this attractive area with its natural surroundings was developed through the hard work of community minded citizens. This project will go down in the history of Wilbraham as one of the finest community accomplishments.

During the past swimming season Spec Pond operated its swimming facility for thirteen weeks under the supervision of five lifeguards. In addition to this staff there were two swimming instructors. The total attendance for this period was approximately 45,000, averaging 500 people every day. There were as many as 1,000 people in attendance during the busiest days. Approximately 400 children received swimming instruction in beginners and advanced classes. This year, for the first time, a swimming program was conducted for adults. 29 adults participated in the program.

A full-time caretaker was engaged to help keep the area clean and orderly. Again this past year a Water Carnival and a Miss Spec Pond Contest were held. Various community organizations utilized the bathing and picnic areas.

During the year, in addition to normal maintenance of the two buildings and grounds, the following improvements were made: the road was resurfaced; the parking area was graded, enlarged and paved; barriers were constructed; the picnic area was enlarged and 6 additional picnic tables and fireplaces provided; one resuscitator, a lifeguard tower and 3 loudspeakers were added to the beach equipment; 4,000 seedlings were planted to commence a long range conservation program; 55 additional truck loads of sand were added to the beach area.

It is hoped that the following planned improvements may be realized: completion of a basketball court and hockey rink; in-

stallation of playground equipment: construction of an overhead pavilion-shelter; enlargement of the swimming area.

The area again this year was under the supervision of the Wilbraham Lions Club resulting in no operating expense to the town. Funds for operating the area were raised by the Lions Club through the sale of admission stickers, thus resulting in no direct expense to the town government.

WILLIAM SULLIVAN, *Chairman*

ROBERT A. EDWARDS — TRUMAN R. SWALLOW
JESSE M. CANERDY — FREDERICK J. CUMMINGS

LIONS CLUB OF WILBRAHAM

Financial Standing as of December 1, 1961

SPEC POND FUND

	Receipts	*Payments*
Cash Balance May 1, 1961	$319.01	
Amount Subscribed 1961 (656 families)	5,338.99	
Policeman's Ball	50.00	
Democratic Town Committee	25.00	
Concession Stand	200.00	
Christadelphians	50.00	
Earned Dividend on Account	15.56	
Firemen's Ball	75.00	
Plumbing		$103.81
Postage, Printing, etc.		189.46
Bulldozer Work		756.00
Special Work — Labor		245.00
Speaking Equipment		154.43
Electric Lights		34.67
Lumber, Cement and Paint		306.14
Telephone		10.16
Prize Money		50.00
Oxygen Equipment		80.75
Miscellaneous		218.82
Employee Pay Roll		3,454.25
Federal Ins. Employer (FICA)		103.63
Cash on Hand December 1, 1961		366.44
	$6,073.56	$6,073.56

F. J. CUMMINGS, *Treasurer*

Report of Special Town Meeting

JANUARY 16, 1961

In accordance with the warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Wilbraham Memorial School Auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Ernest W. Furnans, Jr. at 8:00 p. m. with more than 20 voters present which constituted a quorum. The following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator: Lincoln A. Dexter, Dudley N. Hartt, Jr., Matthew Gozdowski, and A. F. Harris.

Article 1. Voted by a majority that the Town authorize the School Building Committee, appointed by the Selectmen at the direction of the June 9, 1960 Special Town Meeting, to proceed with the preparation of final drawings and specifications and the obtaining of construction bids for a twelve room, plus cafeteria addition at the Pines School, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000.

Article 2. Voted by a majority that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, land of Andrew L. and Eleanora Gruszka, recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin marking the northwesterly corner of the present Pines School property, said iron pin also marking the northeasterly corner of land of Stanley Chrzan, and running thence N. 20° 53′ 20″ W. along other land of the grantors, 543.57′ to a stake; thence along land of the Polish American Veterans Club, Inc. N. 40° 30′ E. 130′ to a stone bound; thence along the westerly line of River Road, S. 49° 30′ E. 173.16′ to a stone bound; thence continuing along River Road, S. 47° 42′ 40″ E. 387.98′ to a stone bound; thence continuing along River Road, S. 53° 58′ 50″ E. 509′ to an iron pin; thence along land of Frank P. Nowak, S. 36° 01′ 10″ W. 130′ to an iron pin; thence along the present Pines School property, N. 53° 58′ 50″ W. 463.24′ to a point; thence continuing along the present Pines School property, S. 69° 27′ 40″ W. 288.18′ to the iron pin marking the point of beginning. Described parcel contains an area of 4.997 acres.

To be used for school purposes, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000.

ARTICLE 3. Voted by a majority that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, land of Stanley J. and Fannie B. Krzesik, recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound on the easterly line of Stony Hill Road at the southwesterly corner of the present Pines School property and running thence S. 35° 02′ E. along said easterly line of Stony Hill Road a distance of 85′; thence along other land of the grantors, N. 67° 32′ E. 345.60′ to an iron pin; thence along the present Pines School property S. 80° 22′ 10″ W. 373.42 to the stone bound marking the point of beginning. Described parcel contains an area of 0.329 acre.

To be used for school purposes, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.

ARTICLE 4. Voted unanimously to authorize the School Building Committee appointed by the Selectmen at the direction of the June 9, 1960 Special Town Meeting, to proceed with the construction of an addition to the kitchen and kitchen facilities at the Memorial School and to appropriate and transfer from the Stony Hill School Addition Fund the sum of $58,000.

ARTICLE 5. Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting, unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the polls, personal properties and real estate of the Town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p. m.

Attest: DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

Brass Choir, Minnechaug Regional High School Instructor, Mr. James Starkie of the Music Department.

Minnechaug School Photo

Report of Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 11, 1961

In accordance with the warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Minnechaug High School Auditorium, Wilbraham.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Ernest W. Furnans, Jr., at 10:00 a. m. The following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator: George G. Canney, Earl H. Paine, Bruce A. Stephens, Franklin T. Richardson, Joseph M. O'Neil, Stanley J. Peczka, Francis H. Scott-Smith, Henry P. Baush. It was noted that a quorum was present.

Article 1. Town Officers elected by unanimous vote were as follows: Poundkeeper, Gardner Files; Measurers of Wood and Charcoal, Walter H. Clark and Edward P. Lindsay; Surveyors of Lumber, Walter H. Clark and Jesse L. Rice; Field Drivers, Peter Presz, Leonard F. VonFlatern, Sr., Benjamin F. Griffin; Weighers of Grain, Weldon G. Jameson and Jesse L. Rice.

Article 2. Voted unanimously that the Town accept the reports of the Selectmen, the Board of Public Welfare, the School Department, Town Collector, Town Treasurer, Water Department, Assessors, Town Clerk, Civil Defense and other Town Officials and committees as printed in the Town Report.

Article 3. Voted unanimously that the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the ensuing year be fixed as follows: Town Clerk, $2,340.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,340.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meetings, $15.00 Special Town Meetings; Town Collector, $3,640.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden, $1.50 per hour (includes use of car); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00 per year, Chairman $650.00; Assessors, $1.50 per hour (includes use of car when needed); Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; Auditor, $200.00 per year; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town

Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

Article 4. Voted unanimously that the Town's share of the Dog Tax for 1960, $1,041.95 be added to the Library Appropriation under Article 5.

Article 5. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,331,917.79 to defray the cost of the operating expense of the Town for the ensuing year as follows: General Government — Aid to Agriculture, $150.00; Assessors' Expense Account, $800.00; Election Expense, $1,000.00; Insurance and Bonding, $7,600.00; Interest, $2,000.00; Legal and Accounting, $5,000.00; Planning Board Expense, $500.00; Printing Town Reports, $2,500.00; Registrar's Expense, $450.00; Selectmen's Contingency Account, $1,500.00; Town Clerk's Expense Account, $200.00; Town Collector's Expense Account, $1,250.00; Town Officers' and Employees' Salaries, $41,400.00; Town Office and Buildings Maintenance, $5,200.00; Town Treasurer's Expense Account, $400.00; Town Treasurer's Expense — Land Court, $50.00; Wilbraham Contributory Retirement Account — Town's Portion, $9,020.80. Protection of Persons and Property — Board of Health, $6,810.00; Building Inspector's Expense Account, $650.00; Wiring Inspector's Expense Account, $650.00; Civil Defense, $1,500.00; Dead Wood, $3,500.00; Dental Clinic Expense, $50.00; Fire Department, $22,204.00; Forest Warden, $900.00; Mosquito Control, $2,600.00; Pest Control, $1,200.00; Police, $24,631.00; Tree Warden's Expense Account, $1,500.00. Town Services — Cemeteries, $2,600.00; Highways — Miscellaneous, $50,400.00; Library, $20,154.05; Road Machinery Operating Expense, $6,000.00; Street Lights, $6,995.00; Water Department — Maintenance, $24,200.00. Public Welfare — Aid Dependent Children, $1,000.00; Aid to Disabled, $3,000.00; General Relief, $11,000.00; Old Age Assistance, $21,000.00; Veterans' Benefits, $7,000.00. Schools — Local, $541,616.00; Regional — Hampden-Wilbraham, $337,659.94. Recreation — Community Program, $6,000.00; Memorial Day and Independence Day, $250.00; Parks, $675.00; Playgrounds, $3,862.00. Debt Service — Schools — School Bonds and Int. (1949), $17,362.50; School Bonds and Int. (1953), $24,085.00; School Bonds and Int. (1956), $35,332.50; School Bonds and Int. (1957), $29,075.00;

Water — Water Bonds and Int. (1955), $6,522.50; Water Notes and Int. (1953), $10,562.50; Water Notes and Int. (1958), $20,350.00.

Article 6. Voted by a majority that the Town appropriate and transfer the sum of $415,000.00 for the purpose of constructing, equipping and furnishing an addition of twelve classrooms, cafeteria, and auxiliary facilities at the Pines School and that to meet said appropriation, the sum of $187,556.10 be transferred from the Stabilization Fund, and the sum of $22,443.90 be transferred from the Stony Hill School Building Account and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of $205,000.00 under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from the date of issue of the first bond or note.

In favor	547
Opposed	11

Article 7. Voted by a majority that the Town authorize the School Building Committee, appointed by the Selectmen June 16, 1960, to be empowered, on behalf of the Town, to proceed with the construction of the addition to the Pines School, and to enter into any and all contracts or agreements necessary to construct, equip, and furnish such school building, and that the Town appropriate and transfer the unexpended balances of the School Building Committee Account for preliminary planning and engineering services as authorized by Article 7 of the June 6, 1960 Special Town Meeting and for final plans and construction bids as authorized by Article 1 of the January 16, 1961 Special Town Meeting to the Construction Account of the School Building Committee.

Article 8. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $9,000.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway work, and that, in addition, the sum of $16,500.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be returned, upon receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 9. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and

appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and that, in addition, the sum of $4,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be returned, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 10. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $6,500.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction, and that, in addition, the sum of $19,500.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be returned upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 11. Voted unanimously that the Town appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $2,250.00 to purchase a pick-up truck for the use of the Highway Department, said sum representing the net cost to the Town after deducting the turn-in value of the old Ford pick-up truck.

Article 12. Voted unanimously that the Town appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $600.00 to purchase a two-way radio for the use of the Highway Department.

Article 13. Voted unanimously that the Town appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $800.00 to purchase a snow plow for the use of the Highway Department.

Article 14. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $16,700.00 for the purpose of rebuilding Faculty Street from Main Street to Mohawk Field.

Article 15. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 to resurface Springfield Street from Main Street to Ripley Street.

Article 16. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Sunnyside Terrace, as shown on sub-division plan of Sunnyside Terrace drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates dated November 1955, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion

of Sunnyside Terrace and running westerly for a distance of 560 feet more or less, and that the sum of $1,000.00 be appropriated and transferred from available funds and that the certified check for $1,000.00 held by the Treasurer for the purpose of guaranteeing completion of this road by the developer be deposited and credited to unappropriated available funds.

ARTICLE 17. Voted by a majority that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Melikian Drive, as shown on Revised Lot Plan, Melikian Park Section A, drawn by Durkee, White, Towne, and Chapdelaine, Engineers, dated May 1960, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Dipping Hole Road and running northerly for a distance of 1074 feet more or less.

ARTICLE 18. Voted by a majority that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Mark Road as shown on Revised Lot Plan, Melikian Park Section A, drawn by Durkee, White, Towne, and Chapdelaine, Engineers, dated May 1960, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Stony

Four of the hard-working Ridge Riders 4-H Horse Club members serving cocoa and potato chips to three young skaters at Spec Pond.

Photo by H. Bogue

Hill Road and running westerly for a distance of 734 feet more or less.

Article 19. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Daniele Drive, as shown on sub-division plan of Joseph Daniele, drawn by Cobb, Beesley & Miles, Engineers, dated May 1959, and filed in the Planning Board Office, beginning at Tinkham Road and running southerly for a distance of 643 feet more or less.

Article 20. Voted by a majority that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Ruth Drive, as shown on sub-division plan of Shady Acres, drawn by G. M. Granger and N. F. Pigeon, Section "A" dated June 1959 and Section "C" dated March 1960, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the intersection of Soule Road and running northerly for a distance of 1102 feet more or less.

Article 21. Voted by a majority that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Chestnut Hill, as shown on sub-division plan of Chestnut Hill, drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates, dated July 1957, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at North Mountain Road and running westerly and then southerly for a distance of 750 feet more or less.

This vote amended the original article — eliminating betterments.

In favor	311
Opposed	166

Article 22. Voted by a majority that the Town appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,000.00 to pay the garbage collector, the receipts from garbage collection subscribers to be restored as received by the Town Collector to unappropriated available funds.

Article 23. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 for the preparation and publishing of a history of the Town in 1963.

Article 24. Voted unanimously that the Town appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $11,000.00 to be spent by the Water Department for additional household and business installations for water

service, the cost of which is to be collected by the Town and returned to unappropriated available funds.

ARTICLE 25. Voted by a majority that the Town authorize the Board of Assessors to enter into a contract with a professional firm of appraisers to make an expert appraisal of the taxable real estate and utilities of the Town, the cost of the contract and expenses incidental to revaluation not to exceed $18,000.00, the payments on the contract to be payable over a period not to exceed 3 years, and to raise and appropriate $6,000.00 to cover the 1961 portion of the cost, and the Assessors shall cause to be printed the values on all parcels reassessed, also the values of such parcels before revaluation.

This vote amended the original article.

ARTICLE 26. Voted by a majority that the Town appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 for a Reserve Fund, $10,000.00 to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account and $10,000.00 to be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

ARTICLE 27. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury $35,000.00 for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 28. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $850.00 to purchase a cruiser for the Wilbraham Police, said sum representing the net cost to the Town after deducting the turn-in value of the present cruiser.

ARTICLE 29. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 to be expended under the joint supervision of the Planning Board and the Board of Assessors for the preparation of maps and plans for the use of said Planning Board and Board of Assessors.

*NOTE — Article 32. taken up before the meeting was adjourned to 8:00 p. m. Monday, March 13, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p. m. Monday, March 13, 1961. The Moderator appointed Thomas F. Gallagher as teller to replace Joseph M. O'Neil.

Article 30. Voted by a majority that the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws as follows: Delete paragraph 5, Section 15 and substitute the following: "5. In all districts, the removal of sod, loam, clay, sand, gravel, or quarried stone, from the premises on which they are located, except when incidental to and in connection with construction of a building for which a permit has been issued or of a driveway, sidewalk or path serving such building or the traveled portion of a way lying within a sub-division shown on a plan approved by the Planning Board and duly recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, shall be deemed a non-conforming use of land and shall be permitted only if written permission of the Board of Appeals be obtained and under such conditions as the Board of Appeals may impose and make a part of the permit. The Board of Appeals shall in each instance impose such conditions as will protect the neighborhood and town against permanent and temporary hazards because of conditions which may be left after operations are completed or because of the methods of handling such material at the site or of transporting such materials through the Town."

In favor	276
Opposed	2

Article 31. Voted by more than 2/3 not to amend the Zoning By-Laws by changing from Residence "A" to "Neighborhood Shopping" property located at the intersection of Boston Road and Silver Street starting at Boston Road and running southerly on Silver Street for a distance of 357 feet more or less, thence westerly along the Boston & Albany Railroad for a distance of 700 feet more or less, thence northerly for a distance of 265 feet more or less, thence easterly for a distance of 500 feet more or less, thence northerly for a distance of 160 feet more or less, thence easterly along Boston Road for 200 feet more or less to the point of beginning.

In favor	46
Opposed	253

Article 32. Voted by more than 2/3 that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, or acquire by purchase, at a price not to exceed $12,000.00 land to be used as a recreational area to provide for swimming, picnicking and other recreational activity, and described as follows: Generally known

as Spec Pond Recreational Area, a parcel of land on the northerly side of Boston Road supposed to be owned now or formerly by State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc. and Construction Service, Inc., and bounded as follows: Southerly by Boston Road, about 460′; Westerly by other land of State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc. and Construction Service, Inc. about 1582′; Northerly by the Boston & Albany Railroad Co., about 1680′; Easterly by Narreau and Motyka, about 972′; Southerly by Motyka, about 730′; Easterly by Motyka, about 800′; and that the sum of $12,000.00 be raised and appropriated.

In favor	501
Opposed	3

Article 33. Voted by a majority not to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,000.00 to be paid over a three year period at the rate of $4,000.00 per year to acquire by purchase, or authorize the Selectmen to take by eminent domain, the property on the east side of Main Street, being the property of the First Congregational Church, commonly known as the old United Church property, for future public use, such as a library and/or an historical society, and that the Selectmen be further authorized to appoint a committee to report back at the next annual town meeting with advice as to the suitable use of said property.

In favor	231
Opposed	187

This vote amended the original article.

Article 34. The original motion on this Article was withdrawn, and the following amended motion approved.

That the Town vote to accept Public Law 560, 83rd Congress, as amended and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to enter into negotiations with the Administrator of Housing and Finance to apply for Federal Funds and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to expend the same for surveys, plans and reports with estimates of cost of a town drainage, sewerage and water studies in all its various phases with the understanding that the Town will reimburse the Federal Government for that part of the cost of the surveys allocated to a particular sewer, water or drainage project, if and when that particular sewer, water or drainage project is subsequently voted by the Town, said survey to be made by an engineer approved by the administrator, and

that the Town authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow from the United States Government under the terms of Public Law 560 as amended for the purpose of making said survey for the Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, or take any action relating thereto.

In favor	277
Opposed	9

Article 35. Voted unanimously that the Town take no action on this Article because acceptance of this provision of the General Laws is irrevocable.

Article 36. The original motion on this Article was withdrawn, and the following amended motion was defeated:

That the Town appropriate $97,000.00 to purchase pipe and install a 10-inch water main, with appropriate hydrants, from the existing water main on Maple Street up along Mountain Road to the vicinity of Bartlett Ave., thence across Right-of-Way to the Boston Road, along Boston Road to the Palmer line; to meet said appropriation, the Town issue a bond or notes for a period not to exceed ten years, payable in accordance with provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, and to delete the levy of special assessments as provided in General Laws, Chapter 40, Sections 42G, 42H and 42I.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	68
Opposed	213

Article 37. Voted not to accept Section 16A of Chapter 51 of the General Laws, thereby establishing an election commission to which will be transferred all the duties with respect to elections now vested in the Registrars, the Town Clerk, the Selectmen and the Moderator, except as provided in the said section.

Article 38. Voted that the Town take no action on this Article.

Article 39. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for expenses for the current year to be used by the Industrial Development Committee.

Article 40. Voted by a majority that the Town accept the following By-Law: "No person shall fire or discharge any fire-

arms or explosives of any kind within the limits of any highway, park, or other public property, or on any private property except with the written consent of the owner or tenant thereof or the agent of either; provided, however, that this By-Law shall not apply to the lawful defense of life or property, or to any discharge of firearms in accordance with law enforcement."

Article 41. The original motion on this Article withdrawn, and the following amended motion defeated:

"That the Town vote to instruct the Selectmen to discharge the moral obligation of the Town and settle claim for personal injuries of Charles E. Dorey resulting from a fall in the Town Hall Building on June 6, 1960, and that the sum of Fifteen Hundred ($1,500.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for payment to said Charles E. Dorey in full compromise settlement of said claim and that the Selectmen be authorized and instructed to accept a release of all claims and demands from said Charles E. Dorey upon payment of the sum herein voted."

Article 42. Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient public place in the Town 14 days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure, provided the Selectmen, or whomsoever they authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 43. Voted unanimously to take no action.

Article 44. Voted by a majority to take no action.

Article 45. Voted by a majority to take no action.

Memorandum: These transactions as voted on under the original Articles 2 and 3 of the Special Town Meeting on January 16, 1961 have already been completed. The interested parties have received their checks and the Town has in its possession the deeds for these respective pieces of property.

Article 46. Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town.

Article 47. Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow

money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1961, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 48. Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the polls, personal properties, and real estate of the Town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12.40 a. m. until 8:30 a. m., Saturday, March 18, 1961 at Memorial School when the Annual Town Elections will be held.

Attest: Doris G. Cochran, *Town Clerk*

Report of Special Town Meeting

JUNE 19, 1961

In accordance with the warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Wilbraham Memorial School Auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Ernest W. Furnans, Jr. at 8:00 p. m. with a quorum or 266 registered voters present.

Article 1. Voted by a majority that the Town transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $3,000.00 to be used by the Water Commissioners for the purpose of obtaining engineering service and preparing a master plan for the Town of Wilbraham relative to future water main extensions, and also instruct the Water Commissioners to report to the townspeople at the next Annual Town Meeting in March 1962.

Article 2. Voted by a majority that the Town transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,000.00 to be used under the direction of the Planning Board for the purpose of a comprehensive Master Plan for the Town together with any related studies relative thereto, said sum of money to be used by the Planning Board in conjunction with any sum of money which may be allocated by the Government of the United States or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or the County of Hampden under Section 701 of the Housing Act of 1949 as amended.

The following tellers were appointed and sworn and a count

taken on this article: Charles E. Dorey, Dudley N. Hartt, Jr. and Mrs. Haldiman S. Putnam.

In favor	163
Opposed	35

Article 3. Voted by a majority that the Town not rescind the following By-Law: "No person shall fire or discharge any firearms or explosives of any kind within the limits of any highway, park, or other public property, or on any private property except with the written consent of the owner or tenant thereof or the agent of either; provided, however, that this By-Law shall not apply to the lawful defense of life or property, or to any discharge of firearms in accordance with law enforcement."

In favor	103
Opposed	88

Article 4. Voted unanimously that the Town accept the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 139, Sections 1, 2 and 3 which establish procedures for the determination by the Selectmen that a building is burned, dilapidated or dangerous and for adjudging it to be a nuisance or dangerous and prescribe its disposition, alteration or regulation.

Article 5. Voted unanimously that the Town transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $500.00, to cover the cost of removing buildings adjudged to be a nuisance or dangerous, the cost of such removal to be recovered from the owner and returned to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 6. Voted unanimously that the Town take no action on this Article.

Article 7. Voted unanimously that the Town take no action on this Article.

Article 8. Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting, unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the polls, personal properties and real estate of the Town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 p. m.

Attest: Doris G. Cochran, *Town Clerk*

Tree Warden

Two severe windstorms and early heavy snow featured 1961, my first year in office. Heavy damage to our shade trees resulted from these storms and the number of broken limbs and fallen trees demonstrated the over mature situation along most of our established main streets. Only a few of our established streets are blessed with young vigorous shade trees. We should like to see many areas similar to Faculty Street near the athletic fields and Springfield Street between the Red School house and Ripley Street.

During 1961 we planted 48 seedlings (mostly sugar maple) along the tree belts, this is not enough and it is hoped that double that number can be planted in 1962. School bus routes were trimmed and minor tree surgery and pruning was done on some of our streets. Twelve dead and dangerous trees were removed and four large trees were partially removed. Private tree companies removed four large trees and conducted line clearance work under the tree warden's supervision.

During the spring, at no cost to the town, four thousand spruce

Spooks alive! Hallowe'en in Wilbraham. Bonfire and parade sponsored by the Lions Club. Insets — some of the ingenious costumes.
NOTE: 600 doughnuts, 600 grab bags and 36 gallons of cider given out!

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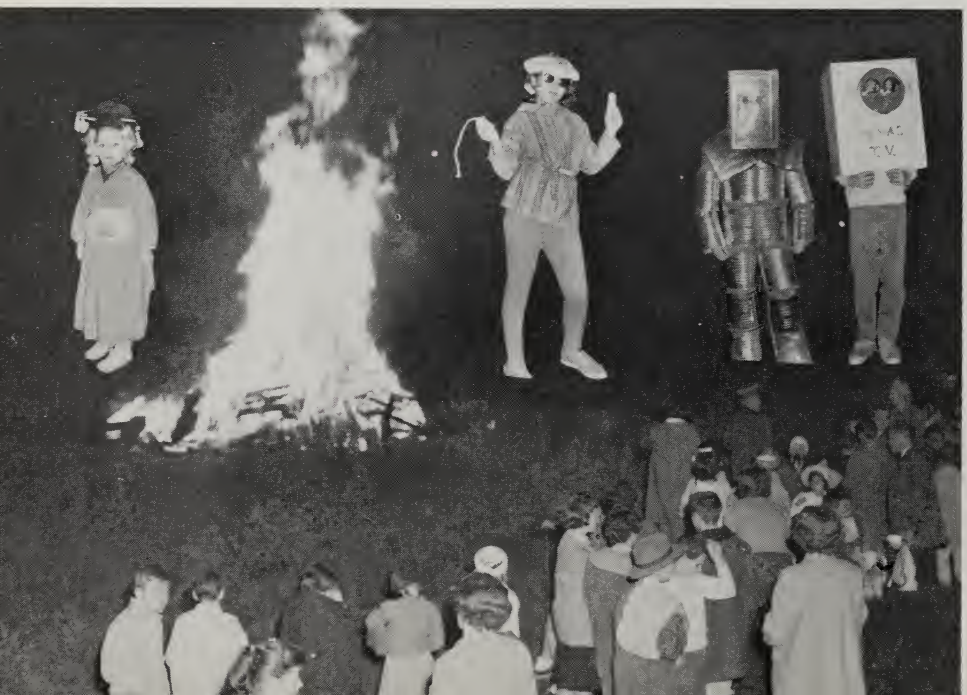

seedlings were planted at Spec Pond Recreation area with the help of the local Girl Scouts. Also during 1961, we started a town tree nursery on town owned property with the hope that in the future years, shade tree planting can be conducted out of our own nursery at a greatly reduced cost.

Our aims for the future would consist of care and maintenance of existing shade trees, an extensive planting program and proper supervision of line clearance crews doing utility work. It is hoped that some regulation regarding proper shade tree spacing and numbers can be worked out with the planning board on streets and roadsides before acceptance by the town.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Highway Superintendent Herbert Butler as well as other town departments which have helped me during the year. GORDON R. LONG

Veterans' Service Department Report

Classification of cases handled by this office and number of veterans involved are as follows:

	1961	*Percent*
Applications for Veterans' Benefits	18	
Veterans' Benefits Paid:		
Ordinary Benefits only	6	
Hospitalization and/or Medical Only	3	
Ordinary Benefits, Hospitalization and/or Medical	5	
Miscellaneous — Information, etc.	11	
Total Expenditure for Ordinary Benefits	$3,393.54	67.1
Total Expenditure for Hospitalization and/or Medical	1,660.95	32.9
Total Expenditure for Veterans' Benefits	$5,054.49	100.0
Administrative Expenses	483.60	
Total Expenditure	$5,538.09	

During 1961 fourteen cases were aided. As noted above, approximately two-thirds of the total Veterans' Benefits paid ($5,054.49) was paid for necessary living expenses and one-third was paid to meet medical expenses. It should be noted that an assignment is held by this office against a workmen's compensation award that should eventually result in recovery of $720.00 included in total expenditure for Veterans' Benefits for 1961.

At December 31, 1961, there are three permanent cases being aided. Two permanent cases were closed during 1961. All other cases aided were of a temporary nature. All cases aided were Wilbraham settled (5 years or more residence in Wilbraham).

In view of this a net reimbursement of 50% of the total expenditure for 1961 can be expected from the State.

All veterans residing in Town are invited to avail themselves of the services of this office. Office hours are from 7:00 to 9:00 p. m. each Monday at the Town Hall, Center Square, East Longmeadow.

GEORGE A. DUSENBERRY, *Agent*

Water Commissioners Annual Report

The year 1961 was an important one for the Water Department. 5,878 feet of new water main was laid at developers' expense. There were 43 new installations. The Board regards this as approximately one-half of the normal anticipated system growth. The reason for this lack of growth is not that there are fewer homes being built, but rather that there are not water mains in the areas currently being developed.

In 1961 the financial procedures currently incumbent on the Water Commissioners resulted in outgo exceeding income by about $5,000. This will be reversed in 1962. At the present rates, and with the anticipated usage, there will be an excess of income over outgo of about $10,000 in 1962 and 1963. By 1964, this will increase to about $20,000. This, of course, assumes no capital expenditures. Current financial procedures require that this surplus go to general funds. It should be emphasized that these procedures provide no reserve for depreciation, expansion or unforeseen major repair costs.

In accordance with the Town's instructions, a carefully engineered master plan is now ready. Extensions of the present single pressure system, provision for a future dual pressure system and alternate sources of water have been studied and preliminary costs estimated. Capital monies ranging from $150,000 to $500,000 may well be required in the foreseeable future to extend the present water system. It should be borne in mind that these expenditures may become mandatory since the public health may be involved. In general, each $100,000 spent for water system improvement will cost $12,000 per year average on a 10-year basis, $6,800 per year average on a 20-year basis.

It is the intent of the Water Commissioners to hold a series of public hearings in 1962 in order to learn the townspeople's wishes with respect to the future physical and financial structure of the Water Department. Interested parties may borrow copies of the master plan from the Water Department office.

SIDNEY LOW, *Chairman* JOHN W. GALE WILLARD P. WILLIS, JR.

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN, ss.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Wilbraham in the County of Hampden:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilbraham qualified to vote in elections of Town Officers, to meet in Wilbraham Memorial School in said Town on Saturday, the seventeenth day of March, A.D., 1962 at 8:30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the election of officers of said Town, for the following offices, to wit:

To choose a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Town Collector, a Tree Warden and an Auditor for the ensuing year; one Selectman for three years who shall be a member of the Board of Public Welfare and Board of Health; one Assessor for three years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; one Library Trustee for three years; one School Committee Member for three years; two Members of the Regional School Committee for three years; one Member of the Regional School Committee for two years; one Member of the Planning Board for five years. The polls shall open at 8:30 a. m. and shall close at 6:30 p. m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Wilbraham, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in Minnechaug Regional High School in said Town on Saturday, the tenth day of March, A.D., 1962 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles; viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose one Poundkeeper; two Measurers of Wood and Charcoal; two Surveyors of Lumber; three Field Drivers; two Weighers of Grain — all for the term of one year.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer and other officers or committees.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1962 and ending March 31, 1963.

ARTICLE 3. Recommend that compensation for elected Town Officers be fixed as follows: Town Clerk, $2,340.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,340.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meetings, $15.00 Special Town Meetings; Town Collector, $4,004.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden $1.75 per hour (includes use of car); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00 per year, Chairman, $650.00; Assessors, $1.50 per hour (includes use of car when needed); Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; Auditor, $200.00 per year; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Tax of 1961.

ARTICLE 4. Recommend $1,049.53 be added to the Library Appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee together with the appropriations recommended by them and to raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for defraying the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and appropriate the same and vote how the same shall be raised. (See page 99)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $7,878.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway Work, and that in addition the sum of $17,325.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. Recommend.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost

of Chapter 90 Highway maintenance, and that in addition the sum of $4,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. Recommend.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,303.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction, and that in addition the sum of $18,900.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. Recommend.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,500.00 or any other sum, to pay the garbage collector, with receipts from garbage collection subscribers to be restored as received by the Town Collector to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. Recommend.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 to cover the second annual installment to the professional firm of appraisers under contract approved at the last annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. Recommend.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 or any other sum to be expended under the joint supervision of the Planning Board and the Board

of Assessors for the preparation of maps and plans for the use of said Planning Board and Board of Assessors, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. Recommend.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, acting as a Board of Public Welfare, to enter into a Welfare District or Combination contract with the Town of East Longmeadow under the provisions of Chapter 118B of the General Laws and upon such terms as said Board in its own discretion shall deem to be for the best interests of the Town of Wilbraham, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 or any other sum, which represents the net cost to the Town after deducting the turn-in value of the present cruiser, for the use of the Wilbraham Police, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. Recommend.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $700.00 or any other sum, which represents the net cost to the Town after deducting the turn-in value of the present mowing equipment for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. Recommend.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $825.00 or any other sum to purchase a snow plow for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. Recommend.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $8,260.00 or any other sum to equal $4,975.00 being transferred from the Road Machinery Fund and the balance of

$3,285.00 to be raised by taxation for the purpose of purchasing a 2½-ton truck with a two way radio for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. Recommend.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Rochford Drive, as shown on the subdivision plan of "Scenic Park" drawn by Durkee, White, Towne & Chapdelaine dated April 12, 1961, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Tinkham Road and running southerly for a distance of 1730 feet more or less.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Russell Road, as shown on the plan of lots, South Easterly Section of Oak Ridge drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates, dated January 1957, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Arbor Lane running southerly for a distance of 705 feet more or less.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Pidgeon Drive, as shown on Subdivision plan of Shady Acres, drawn by G. M. Granger and N. F. Pigeon, dated January 1960, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the intersection of Main Street and running westerly for a distance of 1378 feet more or less.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Mohawk Street, as shown on subdivision plan as drawn by Durkee, White, Towne and Chapdelaine, Section B dated May 1961 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Linwood Drive and running southerly for a distance of 200 feet more or less.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Edward Street, as shown on subdivision plan drawn by Cobb, Beesley and Miles, dated June 1953 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Fairview Road and running easterly to Mountainbrook Road for a distance of 512 feet more or less.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Mountainbrook Road, as shown on subdivision plan drawn by Cobb, Beesley and Miles, dated June 1953 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Tinkham Road and running southerly for a distance of 1616 feet more or less.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Fairview Road, as shown on subdivision plan drawn by Cobb, Beesley and Miles, dated June 1953 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Tinkham Road and running southerly for a distance of 1315 feet more or less.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Linwood Drive as shown on subdivision plan drawn by Durkee, White, Towne and Chapdelaine dated July 1960 — Section "A" — and Section "B" dated May 1961 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion and running easterly thence northerly for a distance of 740 feet more or less.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Oxford Drive, as shown on subdivision plan as drawn by Durkee, White, Towne and Capdelaine, Section "B" dated May 1961 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion and running easterly for a distance of 157 feet more or less.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Longview Drive, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by Smith and Wallen Engineering Co., Inc. dated March 1959 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Tinkham Road and running southerly for a distance of 1118 feet more or less.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Katie Street, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by Smith and Wallen Engineering Co., Inc. dated March 1959 and filed with the Planning Board,

beginning at Longview Drive and running easterly for a distance of 516 feet more or less.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Becker Street, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by Smith and Wallen Engineering Co., Inc. dated March 1959 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Longview Drive and running easterly for a distance of 493 feet more or less.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Brooklawn Road, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates, dated July 1954 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion and extending northerly for a distance of 1362 feet more or less, and that the sum of $410.00 or any other sum be raised and appropriated for construction of said Brooklawn Road, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 29. Recommend.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Ely Road, as shown on a plan drawn by Cobb, Beesley and Miles dated October, 1950 and filed in the Assessor's Office, beginning at a point on Ridge Road and running easterly for a distance of 382 feet more or less; then southerly for a distance of 425 feet more or less, and that the sum of $2,856.78 or any other sum be raised and appropriated for construction of said Ely Road, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 30. Recommend.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Joan Street, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates, dated July 1954 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Brooklawn Road and running easterly for a distance of 480 feet and westerly for a distance of 319 feet more or less — a total of 799 feet more

or less, and that the sum of $239.70 or any other sum be raised and appropriated for construction of said Joan Street, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. Recommend.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Shirley Street, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates, dated June 1955 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Brooklawn Road and running easterly for a distance of 221.46 feet; thence westerly for a distance of 400 feet, making a total of 621 feet more or less, and that the sum of $186.30 or any other sum be raised and appropriated for construction of said Shirley Street, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 32. Recommend.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Railroad Avenue, as shown on a plan drawn by Francis O. Bready dated November 1958 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion and running northerly for a distance of 694.85 feet more or less, and that the sum of $1,577.21 or any other sum be raised and appropriated for construction of said Railroad Avenue, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 33. Recommend.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as West Colonial Road, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by Merrill and Sears, Engineers, dated February 1952 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion and running southerly for a distance of 120 feet more or less, and that the sum of $348.00 or any other sum be raised and appropriated for construction of said West Colonial Road, and that betterment assessments be

levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. Recommend.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,250.00 or any other sum to resurface Main Street, from Boston Road to Merrill Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 35. Recommend.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,400.00 or any other sum to resurface Main Street, from Buckley Street to Woodland Dell Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 36. Recommend.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote substantially as follows: that the Annual Town Election of Town Officers to be chosen thereat be held on the first Saturday of March each year and that all matters to be considered at the Annual Town Meeting, other than the election of town officers, shall be in order only at a town meeting held within thirty days after the date of the Annual Town Election, the date thereof to be determined by the Selectmen; and that all provisions of the town by-laws which are inconsistent herewith be and are hereby amended to accord with the provisions of this vote.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the town will vote to amend the by-laws by striking out Article 4, Section 16 and substituting therefor a new Section 16 to read as follows:

> "Section 16. Any person violating any of the provisions of the town by-laws shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding $20.00 for each offense, unless otherwise provided by the General Laws or by a particular by-law."

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,500.00 or any other sum to purchase an ambulance to be used by the Fire Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 39. Recommend.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 40. Recommend $45,000.00 be transferred from available funds and $30,000.00 be raised from taxation.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 or any other sum for a Reserve Fund to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 41. Recommend.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $11,000.00 or any other sum to be spent by the Water Department for additional household and business installations for water service, the cost of which is to be collected by the Town from the individuals or concerns requesting installations, and which is returned to surplus funds, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 42. Recommend.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey in the name of and on behalf of the Town, a certain parcel of land situate on the North side of Boston Road, taken by eminent domain by Order adopted by the Board of Selectmen on March 22, 1961 as described in Order of Taking dated March 29, 1961 and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 2799, Page 169, to State Line Potato Chip Company, Incorporated, sometimes known as State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc., said parcel being no longer needed for the purposes for which it was taken.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, or to acquire by purchase or otherwise, for park, playground and recreational purposes the fee simple in land, together with all trees thereon if any, and structures affixed thereto, if any, situated in the Town and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a concrete bound on the Northerly line of Boston Road, said Northerly line being as shown on an alteration plan

of Boston Road recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 35, Pages 110 to 112 inclusive at page 112; and from said point of beginning running thence N. 02 46′ 50″ E. by land of State Line Potato Chip Company, Incorporated, sometimes known as State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc., six hundred fifty-four and 43/100 (654.43) feet to a concrete bound in the Southerly line of lot three (3) as shown on Land Court Plan 26520B filed in the Land Registration Office for the Registry District of Hampden County with Certificate of Title No. 9971; thence S. 87 55′ 10″ E., ten hundred thirty-one and 33/100 (1031.33) feet to a concrete bound at the Southeasterly corner of said lot three (3); then S. 46 35′ 40″ W., nine hundred seventy-one and 65/100 (971.65) feet to a concrete bound on said Northerly line of Boston Road located at the Easterly end of a curve with a radius of six hundred forty (640) feet; thence Westerly along said Northerly line of Boston Road, by said curve, a distance of two hundred eighty-nine and 38/100 (289.38) feet to an iron pin at the Westerly end of said curve; and thence N. 70 49′ 10″ W. along said Northerly line of Boston Road, sixty-five (65) feet to the concrete bound at the point of beginning.

All as shown on an unrecorded plan entitled Vicinity of Spectacle Pond, Wilbraham, Massachusetts dated January, 1962 by C. E. Anderson Associates, Civil Engineers, plan number 1292-01.

Excepting and reserving to the State Line Potato Chip Company, Incorporated, sometimes known as State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc., the right to use, for all purposes of a public street, the access road ten (10) feet wide as shown on said Land Court plan from said Northerly line of Boston Road to said Southerly line of said lot three (3) and also a ten (10) foot strip of land from the Westerly line of the above described premises to said access road along the Southerly line of said lot three (3), the Southerly line of the last described ten (10) foot strip shall be ten (10) feet Southerly from and parallel to the Southerly line of said lot three (3).

Said premises are supposed to be owned by State Line Potato Chip Company, Incorporated, sometimes known as State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc.

And to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide a sum of money therefor, and take any other action relative thereto.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town 14 days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure, provided the Selectmen, or whomsoever they authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 46. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1962, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 48. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Post Office at North Wilbraham, one at the Post Office at Wilbraham, and one at Glendale Church, seven days at least, before the time for holding said election and meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time for holding said election and meeting.

Given under our hands this 24th day of January in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two.

SELECTMEN OF WILBRAHAM

Jesse L. Rice, *Chairman*
Richard L. Danforth
Roger T. Hintze

Report of Finance Committee

As in the past, the budget for the Town of Wilbraham reflects continued growth of the Town and commensurate need for expanded services and facilities. For reasons which are therefore self-evident, the Finance Committee acknowledges the increasing burden on the part of Town officers, department heads and committees to exercise prudence in the financial administration of responsibilities ascribed to them. The Finance Committee is deeply indebted to the many employed and volunteer individuals who have cooperated and collaborated with the Committee to achieve the results as evidenced in this year's report and the budgetary recommendations for the year to come.

Comparison of 1961 and 1962 is as follows:

1961		
Appropriations raised by taxation	$1,461,098.67	
Appropriations from Available Funds	387,271.95	
Total		$1,849,370.62
1962		
Appropriations recommended to be raised by taxation	$1,509,579.85	
Appropriations recommended from Available Funds	130,274.53	
Appropriation previously voted from Available Funds	9,500.00	
Total		$1,649,354.38

As indicated above the amount to be raised by taxation for 1962 is $48,481.18 in excess of the amount voted to be raised by taxation in 1961. This amount is accounted for as follows:

$53,827.00	Increase for Local School Budget
23,116.94	Increase for Regional School Budget
13,881.14	Net Increase for All Items Other Than Schools
$90,825.08	Total Increase Article 5
less 42,343.90	Net Reduction of Special Articles
$48,481.18	Net Increase

For the benefit of new residents who may not be entirely familiar with factors pertaining to determination of the tax rate, the

Committee would again call attention to the fact that the amount of $48,481.18 referred to above does not indicate the extent to which there may be a change in the tax rate for 1962. The determination of such tax rate is the sole responsibility of the Assessors in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

At the time this report is prepared various factors affecting determination of the rate such as assessments from state and county, revenues from state, local revenues and the amount of valuations and overlay are not available. Furthermore, an important consideration pertaining to the 1962 rate will be the result of the revaluation program and the factors used in computing the rate by the assessors. Any effort therefore on the part of the Finance Committee to relate the effect of recommended expenditures upon the forthcoming tax rate would be inappropriate.

Included in our report for 1961 were four specific recommendations for improving the Town's accounting procedures and the establishment of appropriate job classifications and salary and wage scales for Town employees. These were as follows:

1. Employment of a qualified accountant.
2. Installation of an improved accounting system as recommended by state fiscal authorities.
3. Development of and presentation to the voters of a segregated budget in the form recommended by state fiscal authorities.
4. Appointment of a Survey Committee to study and recommend appropriate job evaluations and salary and wage scales for Town employees.

We are pleased to report as follows regarding action taken and progress made relative to the above recommendations:

1. The Selectmen appointed a part time accountant effective April 1, 1961. Our 1962 budget recommendations include funds to permit the appointment of a full time accountant as of April 1, 1962.
2. A system of accounts as recommended by state authorities has been installed which has permitted the development of four new statements which are included for the first time this year in the Financial Statement Section of the Town Report. The Treasurer's Report of cash disbursements

has been arranged in accordance with the state accounting system.

3. Progress has been made this year relative to ultimate adoption of a segregated budget by presenting the budgets to show salary expense and other expenses separately for this year. However, appropriations are to be voted for the total of the two items. During the year to come the new accounting system will be further improved to make more readily available record of expenditures on the basis of these categories. Before actually recommending complete adoption of a segregated budget the Finance Committee feels that Town officials and department heads should be afforded further opportunity to study and prepare for budgetary practices based upon this method.

4. The Selectmen appointed a Personnel Study Committee early in May 1961. The Committee reported to the Selectmen and the Finance Committee on January 4, 1962. The report established job classifications and salary and wage rates which have proved of great assistance to the Finance Committee in considering budget requests for 1962. The application of the classifications and wage rates has resulted in salary and wage increases for some employees which will bring them more in line with the majority of rates paid in other comparable communities.

Last year there were complaints that the Town Report was not available until only a few days before the Annual Meeting. The reason for the lateness of the report was due to inadequacy of our accounting system. The report could not be printed until the state had audited our accounts and had prepared a balance sheet which was not available until late in February. The appointment of the part time accountant and the improvement in our accounting system during the past year permitted the preparation of a balance sheet on January 12, 1962 with supporting schedules received a few days thereafter. The details of expenditures and balances, the operation of the Surplus Account and the actual receipts against revenues estimated by the assessors were therefore available to the Finance Committee by the middle of January. This information was of great assistance to the Committee in its deliberation regarding the 1962 budget requests and has resulted

in getting the Town Report in the hands of the voters at an earlier date than in the past.

A further assistance to the Finance Committee as a result of the new accounting system has been the availability each month of a copy of the balance sheet and a schedule of appropriation expenditures.

You will note that the Committee recommendations for Article 5 and the Special Articles have been consolidated into one statement so that the total amount recommended is shown in one figure separated to show the amounts recommended to be raised by taxation and those recommended to be appropriated from available funds.

Attention is called to the fact that this year's recommended appropriations do not include school building funds. This accounts for a difference of approximately $50,000 in comparing the increase for 1962 with that for 1961. However, the results of the School Survey reports would indicate that the Town must be prepared to anticipate further substantial school building costs in the immediate years ahead.

In connection with the school building program of the past year, we were fortunate to have a sizeable Stabilization Fund to reduce otherwise increased appropriations from current taxation and to alleviate the necessity of extensive bonded indebtedness. With an eye to the future regarding evident capital expenditures for the many needs of the Town it would appear essential that the Stabilization Fund be increased at a sufficient rate to assure that a substantial balance of the fund will be at hand as these capital expenditures accrue. With this in mind the Finance Committee has recommended that contribution to the Stabilization Fund be increased $25,000 over the amount appropriated in 1961.

ALDO ALBERICI, *Chairman*

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ARTICLE 5 APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED

General Government	1961 Appropriations As Modified	1961 Expended	1962 Budget	1962 Recommended Totals
Selectmen				
Salaries and Wages	$5,918.25	$4,830.50	$6,261.00	
Expense	1,541.75	1,523.65	1,500.00	
Total	$7,460.00	$6,354.15		$7,761.00
Accounting Department				
Salaries and Wages	$890.50	$890.50	$4,329.00	
Expense	2,100.00	2,100.00	1,371.00	
Total	$2,990.50	$2,990.50		5,700.00
Town Treasurer				
Salaries and Wages	$4,355.00	$4,302.00	$4,498.00	
Expense	992.91	973.53	400.00	
Total	$5,347.91	$5,275.53		4,898.00
Land Court Fees	$50.00			50.00
Town Collector				
Salaries and Wages	$5,338.00	$5,332.88	$6,616.00	
Expense	1,250.00	1,134.13	1,250.00	
Total	$6,588.00	$6,467.01		7,866.00
Assessors, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$7,265.50	$6,774.81	$9,113.00	
Expense	900.00	854.96	1,800.00	
Total	$8,165.50	$7,629.77		10,913.00
Town Clerk				
Salaries and Wages	$3,467.50	$3,321.00	$3,419.00	
Expense	200.00	187.81	240.00	
Total	$3,667.50	$3,508.81		3,659.00
Legal				
Salaries and Wages	$200.00	$200.00	$200.00	
Expense	3,970.19	3,970.19	1,500.00	
Total	$4,170.19	$4,170.19		1,700.00
Elections and Town Meeting Exp.				
Salaries and Wages	$580.00	$530.85	$1,380.00	
Expense	500.00	287.13	350.00	
Total	$1,080.00	$817.98		1,730.00

	1961 Appropriations As Modified	1961 Expended	1962 Budget	1962 Recommended Totals
Registrars of Voters				
Salaries and Wages	$710.00	$706.50	$800.00	
Expense	450.00	40.05	250.00	
Total	$1,160.00	$746.55		1,050.00
Planning Board				
Salaries and Wages	$475.00	$460.80	$247.00	
Expense	500.00	483.00	500.00	
Total	$975.00	$943.80		747.00
Town Office and Bldg. Maint.				
Salaries and Wages	$935.63	$935.63	$1,121.25	
Expense	4,386.57	4,386.57	4,378.75	
Total	$5,322.20	$5,322.20		5,500.00
Town Auditor				
Salaries and Wages	$200.00	$200.00	$200.00	200.00
Total Gen. Government	$47,176.80	$44,426.49		$51,774.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY				
Police Department				
Salaries and Wages	$21,331.00	$20,841.60	$23,033.00	
Expense	3,300.00	3,287.15	3,600.00	
Total	$24,631.00	$24,128.75		$26,633.00
Fire Department				
Salaries and Wages	$16,160.00	$16,010.25	$16,910.00	
Expense	6,044.00	5,367.24	6,994.00	
Total	$22,204.00	$21,377.49		23,904.00
Pest Control				
Salaries and Wages	$720.00	$716.44	$708.00	
Expense	480.00	479.87	492.00	
Total	$1,200.00	$1,196.31		1,200.00
Dead Wood				
Salaries and Wages	$1,866.00	$1,865.50	$1,458.00	
Expense	1,634.00	1,633.62	2,042.00	
Total	$3,500.00	$3,499.12		3,500.00
Forest Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$360.00	$360.00	$500.00	
Expense	540.00	402.43	400.00	
Total	$900.00	$762.43		900.00

	1961 Appropriations As Modified	1961 Expended	1962 Budget	1962 Recommended Totals
Aid to Agriculture	$150.00	$150.00	$100.00	100.00
Tree Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$1,165.00	$1,164.50	$1,500.00	
Expense	1,335.00	1,334.12	1,500.00	
Total	$2,500.00	$2,498.62		3,000.00
Civil Defense				
Salaries and Wages	$820.00	$820.00	$820.00	
Expense	1,838.07	903.00	334.93	
Total	$2,658.07	$1,723.00		1,154.93
Dog Officer				
Salaries and Wages	$165.00	$160.08	$150.00	150.00
Building Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$1,800.00	$1,800.00	$1,800.00	
Expense	650.00	647.84	650.00	
Total	$2,450.00	$2,447.84		2,450.00
Wiring Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$600.00	$600.00	$600.00	
Expense	650.00	603.82	650.00	
Total	$1,250.00	$1,203.82		1,250.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures				
Salaries and Wages	$292.25	$285.00	$300.00	
Expense			25.00	
Total	$292.25	$285.00		325.00
Appeals, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$475.00	$460.80	$247.00	
Expense			150.00	
Total	$475.00	$460.80		397.00
Total Protection of Persons and Property	$62,375.32	$59,893.26		$64,963.93
HEALTH AND SANITATION				
Board of Health				
Salaries and Wages	$1,380.00	$1,380.00	$400.00	
Expense	5,810.00	4,461.93	6,890.00	
Total	$7,190.00	$5,841.93		$7,290.00
Dental Clinic				
Salaries and Wages	$1,000.00	$1,000.00	$1,000.00	
Expense	50.00	34.80	50.00	
Total	$1,050.00	$1,034.80		1,050.00

	1961 Appropriations As Modified	1961 Expended	1962 Budget	1962 Recommended Totals
Mosquito Control				
Salaries and Wages	$225.00	$209.75	$225.00	
Expense	2,375.00	2,302.00	2,375.00	
Total	$2,600.00	$2,511.75		2,600.00
Inspector of Animals				
Salaries and Wages	$65.00	$65.00	$65.00	65.00
Inspector of Slaughtering				
Salaries and Wages	$50.00	$50.00	$50.00	50.00
Total Health & Sanitation	$10,955.00	$9,503.48		$11,055.00
HIGHWAYS				
Highway Department				
Salaries and Wages	$21,500.00	$21,040.99	$25,556.00	
Expense	28,900.00	25,275.07	29,616.00	
Total	$50,400.00	$46,316.06		$55,172.00
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.	6,765.60	6,765.60	7,300.00	7,300.00
Street Lights	6,995.00	6,525.17	8,000.00	8,000.00
Total Highways	$64,160.60	$59,606.83		$70,472.00
CHARITIES				
Department of Public Welfare				
Salaries and Wages	$5,998.00	$5,474.50	$3,296.00	$3,296.00
Aid:				
General Relief	11,000.00	9,753.05	11,000.00	11,000.00
Old Age Assistance	21,069.62	20,918.19	23,000.00	23,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,000.00	812.15	3,000.00	3,000.00
Disability Assistance	3,000.00	1,871.60	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Charities	$42,067.62	$38,829.49		$42,296.00
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS				
Veterans' Services				
Salaries and Wages	$405.00	$405.00	$480.00	
Expense			20.00	
Aid	7,120.00	5,231.03	5,500.00	
Total Soldiers' Benefits	$7,525.00	$5,636.03		$6,000.00
SCHOOLS				
Local				
Salaries and Wages			$460,371.00	
Expense			135,072.00	
Total Local	$541,616.00	$525,651.96		$595,443.00

	1961 Appropriations As Modified	1961 Expended	1962 Budget	1962 Recommended Totals
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional				
Salaries and Wages			$189,407.93	
Expense			171,369.24	
Total Regional	$337,660.23	$337,660.23		360,777.17
Total Schools	$879,276.23	$863,312.19		$956,220.17
LIBRARY				
Salaries and Wages	$14,066.00	$13,684.62	$15,807.00	
Expense	7,130.00	7,114.43	6,325.47	$22,132.47
Total Library	$21,196.00	$20,799.05		$22,132.47
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS				
Parks				
Salaries and Wages	$545.00	$363.60	$500.00	
Expense	130.00	126.65	100.00	
Total	$675.00	$490.25		$600.00
Playgrounds				
Salaries and Wages	$1,815.00	$1,814.20	$2,130.00	
Expense	2,047.00	2,046.81	520.00	
Total	$3,862.00	$3,861.01		2,650.00
Community Program				
Salaries and Wages			$4,500.00	
Expense			1,500.00	
Total	$6,000.00	$5,579.22		6,000.00
Memorial and Independence Day	250.00	142.70	$250.00	250.00
Total Rec. and Celeb.	$10,787.00	$10,073.18		$9,500.00
PENSIONS				
Assessment — Hampden County Retirement System	$9,020.80	$9,020.80	$9,781.80	$9,781.80
UNCLASSIFIED				
Printing Town Reports	$2,654.00	$2,654.00	$3,000.00	$3,000.00
Insurance and Bonding	9,884.74	9,632.42	8,500.00	8,500.00
Industrial Development Com.	600.00	448.41	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Unclassified	$13,138.74	$12,734.83		$12,500.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE				
Water Dept. — Maintenance				
Salaries and Wages	$10,250.00	$10,110.04	$11,650.00	
Expense	14,400.00	14,398.98	15,500.00	$27,150.00
Total Pub. Serv. Enter.	$24,650.00	$24,509.02		$27,150.00
CEMETERIES				
Salaries and Wages	$1,400.00	$1,355.50	$1,400.00	
Expense	1,200.00	402.05	1,400.00	$2,800.00
Total Cemeteries	$2,600.00	$1,757.55		$2,800.00

	1961 Appropriations As Modified	1961 Expended	1962 Budget	1962 Recommended Totals
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST				
Maturing Debt				
School Bonds	$90,000.00	$90,000.00	$100,000.00	$100,000.00
Water Bonds	35,000.00	35,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Maturing Interest				
School Bonds	$15,855.00	$15,855.00	$18,942.50	18,942.50
Water Bonds	2,435.00	2,435.00	1,755.00	1,755.00
Temporary Loan Interest	2,060.00	1,175.05	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Mat. Debt and Int.	$145,350.00	$144,465.05		$136,697.50
Total Article 5.	$1,340,279.11	$1,304,567.25		$1,423,342.87

We also recommend appropriations under some Articles in the Warrant as follows:

		From Available Funds	From Tax Levy	1962 Recommended Totals
Article 4	Library (Dog Tax)	$1,049.53		$1,049.53
Article 6	Chapter 81 — Highway Work	17,325.00	$7,878.00	25,203.00
Article 7	Chapter 90 — Highway Maint.	4,000.00	2,003.00	6,003.00
Article 8	Chapter 90 — Highway Const.	18,900.00	6,303.00	25,203.00
Article 9	Garbage Collection	6,500.00		6,500.00
Article 10	Assessors' Revaluation Program		6,000.00	6,000.00
Article 11	Maps — Assessors and Planning Board		2,500.00	2,500.00
Article 13	Police Cruiser		1,500.00	1,500.00
Article 14	Mowing Equip. — Highway Dept.	700.00		700.00
Article 15	Snow Plow — Highway Dept.	825.00		825.00
Article 16	2½ Ton Truck — Highway Dept.	4,975.00	3,285.00	8,260.00
Article 29	Brooklawn Road		410.00	410.00
Article 30	Ely Road		2,856.78	2,856.78
Article 31	Joan Street		239.70	239.70
Article 32	Shirley Street		186.30	186.30
Article 33	Railroad Avenue		1,577.20	1,577.20
Article 34	West Colonial Road		348.00	348.00
Article 35	Resurface Main Street		5,250.00	5,250.00
Article 36	Resurface Main Street		5,400.00	5,400.00
Article 39	Ambulance — Fire Department		10,500.00	10,500.00
Article 40	Stabilization Fund	45,000.00	30,000.00	75,000.00
Article 41	Reserve Account	20,000.00		20,000.00
Article 42	Installations — Water Dept.	11,000.00		11,000.00
		$130,274.53	$86,236.98	
Total Special Articles				$216,511.51
Total Recommendations				$1,639,854.38

SUMMARY

Appropriations recommended to be raised by taxation	$1,509,579.85
Appropriations recommended from available funds	130,274.53
Total	$1,639,854.38

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS — 1961

Town Treasurer's Report

Balance on hand January 1, 1961			$333,913.73
Receipts during 1961:			
Taxes:			
Real Estate			
1959	$6,879.60		
1960	34,983.86		
1961	893,225.00	$935,088.46	
Personal			
1959	$19.50		
1960	3,158.70		
1961	54,248.26	57,426.46	
Poll			
1959	$2.00		
1960	14.00		
1961	3,782.00	3,798.00	
Excise			
1958	$21.09		
1959	341.34		
1960	53,002.83		
1961	135,142.87	188,508.13	
Farm Animal Excise			
1960	$8.53		
1961	169.65	178.18	
Total Taxes			$1,184,999.23
Interest:			
On Taxes		$1,640.21	
On Savings		2,082.34	
Committed		168.03	
Total Interest			3,890.58
Municipal Liens			151.00
Water Department:			
Water Rates		$67,435.68	
Installation Deposits		6,082.00	
Miscellaneous		941.32	
Total Water Department			74,459.00
Licenses:			
Dogs		$1,621.00	
Milk Inspector's		26.00	

Selectmen — Committed	10,743.84	
Selectmen — Cash	53.25	
Police	269.00	
Total Licenses		12,713.09
Fees:		
Town Clerk		
Dogs	$199.00	
Sporting	160.90	
Miscellaneous	885.50	
Town Collector	805.00	
Planning Board	250.00	
Board of Appeals	135.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	140.90	
Total Fees		2,576.30
Building Permits		1,903.50
Electrical Permits		1,284.00
Garbage Collection		5,285.00
Street Betterments — Committed and Paid in Advance		919.32
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	$73,747.95	
State Taxes	6,414.20	
State — Employers' Compensation	52.06	
County Retirement	8,395.43	
Road Machinery Earnings	5,756.25	
Blue Cross	3,425.75	
Total Deductions		$97,791.64
School Department:		
School Lunches — Sales	$36,228.79	
School Lunches — State and Federal Reimbursement	17,393.27	
Auditorium Rental	728.00	
Tuition	267.84	
Miscellaneous	217.20	
Total School Department		54,835.10
Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance — Aid	$16,554.70	
Old Age Assistance — Administration	1,424.87	
Aid to Dependent Children — Aid	3,296.00	
Aid to Dependent Children — Administration	251.68	
Disability Assistance — Aid	1,081.40	
Disability Assistance — Administration	44.35	
Medical Aid for Aged — Aid	8,664.28	
Medical Aid for Aged — Administration	476.28	

School Aid — Public Law 874	12,861.00	
School Aid — Public Law 864	2,291.91	
Total Federal Grants		46,946.47
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highways	$32,084.17	
Income Tax	10,388.00	
Income Tax — Chapter 70	81,025.72	
Income Tax — Mentally Retarded	7,576.31	
Corporation Tax	28,522.15	
School Aid — Chapter 645	74,638.29	
Transportation	34,109.49	
Vocational Education	11,500.33	
Youth Service Board	3,600.00	
Division of Child Guardianship	2,778.86	
Loss of Taxes	708.91	
Meals Tax (OAA)	1,220.30	
Director of Standards	12.00	
Civil Defense	466.44	
Aid to Libraries	1,551.27	
Total Commonwealth		290,182.24
County of Hampden:		
Dog Refund	$1,041.95	
Dog Officer's Fees	372.00	
Court Fines	1,335.20	
House of Correction Fines	10.00	
Highways	5,646.86	
Total County		8,406.01
Accounts Receivable:		
Public Welfare	$1,918.81	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,468.52	
Aid to Disabled	226.64	
Old Age Assistance	10,197.92	
Medical Aid for Aged	5,472.79	
Veterans' Benefits	4,145.68	
Total		23,430.36
Library:		
Building Rental	$840.00	
Fines, Lost and Damaged Books	585.47	
Total Library		1,425.47
Trust Fund Income:		
Hines Burial Lot	$7.90	
Bliss Family Burial Lot	150.26	
Total Trust Funds		158.16

Stabilization Fund		187,556.10	
Lions Club — Spec Pond Rental		1.00	
Tax Anticipation Loans		300,000.00	
Pines School Addition Loan		205,000.00	
Pines School Addition Loan — Premium		407.95	
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		240.00	
Appropriation Refunds		476.11	
Refunds Credited to Estimated Receipts		224.78	
Reimbursements:			
Ambulance Service	$60.00		
Performance Bonds	1,800.00		
Total Reimbursements		1,860.00	
Total Receipts 1961			$2,507,122.41
Total January 1, 1961 plus 1961 Receipts			$2,841,036.14
Less Payments per Warrants			2,292,274.51
Cash Balance December 31, 1961			$548,761.63

Treasurer's Trust Fund Report

CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL, $51.95. SCHOOLS (*total,* $2,307.88) Deacon Warriner, $1,131.50; School Lot, $1,176.38. LIBRARY: (*total,* $1,605.88) Abner E. Bell, $67.38; Henry Cutler, $635.83; Henry Cutler, $621.81; Mortimer Day, $111.67; Chloe Bliss Stebbins, $169.19. SOLDIERS' MONUMENT PARK, $1,111.00. CHARITIES, Chloe Bliss Stebbins, $301.72. CEMETERIES: (*total,* $12,712.59) G. Frank Adams, $375.31; Charles L. Amadon, $226.49; John W. Baldwin, $223.11; John W. Baldwin, $279.73; Bishop Lot, $231.44; Henry A. Bowker, $156.25; Edward H. Brewer, $648.84; Laura Bruuer, $1,096.37; Albro Bryant, $111.50; Philip and Angeline R. Butler, $138.59; Henry C. Butler and Herbert F. Green, $173.60; James A. Butler, $231.65; Ethelbert Bliss, $686.96; William Butler, $156.25; Abel B. Calkins, $214.29; Charles M. Calkins, $138.59; Howard Calkins, $306.12; Emma Carson, $78.47; Inez V. Chilson, $157.27; Henry Clark, $156.24; Frederick Coon, $64.98; Evalina N. Copeland, $138.59; Lucy M. Dane, $111.52; Hiram Danks, $109.97; Dasco Lot, $287.49; J. W. Dunsmore, $218.21; F. A. Fuller and Marshall A. Lane, $486.02; Charles H. Gates, $138.59; Harriet Gates, $223.31; Blanche B. Gilbert, $215.06; W. H. Graves, $109.47; Benjamin B. Green, $138.59; B. Franklin Greene, $111.50; Fred W. Green, $138.59; Henry Green, $149.65; Lora M. Green, $87.11; Eliza V. Jones, $156.24; Anna C. Kibbe, $157.78; Abraham Knowlton, $111.67; Charles R. Knowlton, $156.25; George E. Knowlton, $223.03; Etta Simmons May, $218.79; Angeline P. Morgan, $112.08; Charles North, $283.16; Charles J. Parker, $334.73; Inez M. Perry, $138.59; Inez M. Perry, $138.59; Ira G. Potter, $157.76; P. P. Potter, $111.59; William H. Read, $219.40; Jesse L. Rice, $219.36; Frank R. and Hattie E. Rindge, $98.55; Allyn M. Seaver, $221.00; Spear-Butler Lot, $278.98; Chloe B. Stebbins, $109.49; Luther and Milton Stebbins, $219.28; Frances E. Stebbins, $276.20; Elizabeth B. Tupper, $54.85; Martha E. Smith, $79.00; Nellie Spencer, $111.50.

Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS

	1961	*1960*	*1959*
Births Recorded			
Males	53	96	58
Females	56	65	57
	*109	161	115

* 1961 Incomplete. Nov. and Dec. records from Springfield not received at date of printing.

	1961	*1960*	*1959*
Marriages Recorded	49	62	58
Deaths Recorded			
Males	35	29	33
Females	28	19	23
	63	48	56

DOG LICENSES

400	Males	@ $2.00	$800.00
63	Females	5.00	315.00
330	Spayed Females	2.00	660.00
2	Kennel Licenses	10.00	20.00
1	Kennel License	25.00	25.00
			$1,820.00
	Fees Retained		199.00
	Paid to Treasurer of Hampden County		$1,621.00

SPORTING LICENSES

Total number of licenses issued — 709	
Total receipts for licenses issued	$2,875.40
Paid to Division of Fisheries and Game	2,714.50
Fees Retained	$160.90

SUMMARY OF FEES

Recording Fees	$885.50
Fish and Game Fees	160.90
Dog License Fees	199.00
	$1,245.40

DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

Town of Wilbraham

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1961

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		
Cash:		
General		$548,761.63
Advance for Petty:		
Town Collector	$39.00	
Water Department	25.00	64.00
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1960:		
Personal Property	$2,652.00	
Real Estate	10,393.78	13,045.78
Levy of 1961:		
Poll	$78.00	
Personal Property	7,987.50	
Real Estate	58,260.24	66,325.74
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1960	$1,878.74	
Levy of 1961	34,338.81	36,217.55
Special Assessments:		
Street Betterments:		
Added to Taxes:		
Levy of 1960	$10.00	
Levy of 1961	76.71	
Committed Interest:		
Levy of 1960	4.20	
Levy of 1961	23.28	114.19

Liabilities and Reserves		
Water Guarantee Deposits		$1.00
Agency:		
Excess — Sale of Lands of Low Value		73.95
Trust Fund Income:		
Hines Family Burial Lot	$40.52	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	29.07	69.59
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		240.00
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Administration	$770.20	
Assistance	4,467.90	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	1,136.00	
Aid	307.82	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	2,757.62	
Assistance	3,961.00	
Medical Assistance for Aged:		
Administration	476.28	
Assistance	768.87	
School:		
Public Law No. 81-874:		
Education	19,908.98	
Public Law No. 85-864:		
National Defense	2,291.91	36,846.58
School Lunch Program		10,961.32

Tax Titles		172.39	Appropriation Balances:		
Departmental:			Revenue:		
Selectmen's Licenses	$165.75		General	$52,944.28	
Garbage Collection	1,027.00		Non-Revenue:		
General Relief	72.00		Pines School Addition	181,939.03	
Aid to Dependent Children	957.06		Memorial School Addition	10,523.51	
Old Age Assistance	630.40	2,852.21	Water Mains	689.65	$246,096.47
Water:			Overestimate 1961:		
Rates	$2,354.99		State Recreation Areas		255.64
Miscellaneous	502.35	2,857.34	Road Machinery Fund		6,506.88
Aid to Highways:			Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		16,206.59
State	$35,984.67		Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
County	13,500.00	49,484.67	Levy of 1960	$9,615.71	
Underestimate 1961:			Levy of 1961	13,843.32	23,459.03
County Tax		300.13	Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
			Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$36,217.55	
			Special Assessment	114.19	
			Tax Title	172.39	
			Departmental	2,852.21	
			Water	2,857.34	
			Aid to Highway	49,484.67	91,698.35
			Reserve for Petty Cash Advance		64.00
			Surplus Revenue		287,716.23
		$720,195.63			$720,195.63

DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Assessments Not Due:		Apportioned Street Assessment Revenue:	
Street	$3,379.00	Due in 1962 to 1979, Inclusive	$3,379.00

Town of Wilbraham

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1961 (Continued)

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:			Inside Debt Limit:		
Inside Debt Limit		$205,000.00	School Addition Loan		$205,000.00
Outside Debt Limit:			Outside Debt Limit:		
			General:		
General	$645,000.00		Memorial School Loan	$120,000.00	
Water	90,000.00	735,000.00	School Project Loan — 1957	320,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1961	205,000.00	
			Water Loans	90,000.00	735,000.00
		$940,000.000			$940,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

In Trust and Investment Funds:		In Custody of Treasurer:	
Cash and Securities:		Chloe B. Stebbins Charity Fund	$301.72
In Custody of Treasurer	$124,002.22	Deacon Warriner School Fund	1,131.50
In Custody of Trustees	204.53	School Lot Fund	1,176.38
		Chloe B. Stebbins Library Fund	169.19
		Abner W. Bell Library Fund	67.38
		Henry Cutler Library Fund	1,257.64
		Mortimer L. Day Library Fund	111.67
		Civil War Mortar Memorial Plaque Fund	51.95
		Ethelbert Bliss Cemetery General Care Fund	1,686.96
		Laura Bruuer Cemetery General Care Fund	1,096.37
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	10,929.26
		Soldiers Monument Park Fund	1,111.00
		Stabilization Fund	104,911.20
		In Custody of Probate Court:	
		Hines Family Burial Lot Fund	204.53
	$124,206.75		$124,206.75

STABILIZATION FUND

Balance December 31, 1960	$237,468.28	Expenditures:	
Appropriation March 11, 1961	50,000.00	Pines School Addition	$187,556.10
Interest on Deposits	4,999.02	Balance December 31, 1961	104,911.20
	$292,467.30		$292,467.30

Cash Disbursements

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen		
Salaries and Wages	$4,830.50	
Advertising	136.57	
Rent (Regional School)	116.00	
Law Books — Directories	136.53	
Expense to meetings	86.91	
Dues and fees	112.00	
Survey	25.00	
Lunches	18.33	
Outside services	122.55	
Supplies	643.45	
Miscellaneous	126.31	$6,354.15
Accounting Department		
Salaries and Wages	$890.50	
Outside accounting service	2,100.00	2,990.50
Town Treasurer		
Salaries and Wages	$4,302.00	
Dues	6.00	
Check Signer	250.00	
Use of car	100.00	
Printing bonds	342.91	
Recording fees	6.00	
Postage and envelopes	129.88	
Supplies	138.74	5,275.53
Town Collector		
Salaries and Wages	$5,332.88	
Dues	6.00	
Advertising	22.50	
Equipment	55.30	
Recording	9.00	
Outside services	49.01	
Use of car	120.00	
Expense to meetings	4.00	
Postage, envelopes and box rent	551.01	
Supplies	317.31	6,467.01
Assessors		
Salaries and Wages	$6,774.81	
Supplies	232.33	
Printing	57.53	
Dues	15.00	
Outside services	58.92	
Photocopies	361.40	
Miscellaneous	129.78	7,629.77

Assessor's and Planning Board Maps		5,000.00	
Assessor's Revaluation Program		6,000.00	
Town Clerk			
Salaries and Wages	$3,321.00		
Dues	9.50		
Advertising	15.81		
Binding records	17.50		
Recording Board of Appeals decisions	28.00		
Supplies	29.79		
Miscellaneous	87.21	3,508.81	
Legal			
Salary	$200.00		
Sheriff fees	4.50		
Transcript (Court cases)	300.00		
Recordings	15.00		
Legal services	3,650.69	4,170.19	
Elections and Town Meeting Expense			
Salaries and Wages	$530.85		
Supplies	21.11		
Printing	95.84		
Lunches	34.43		
Special Police	135.75	817.98	
Registrars of Voters			
Salaries and Wages	$706.50		
Supplies	40.05	$746.55	
Planning Board			
Salaries and Wages	$460.80		
Advertising	60.86		
Dues	20.00		
Supplies	13.54		
Survey	350.00		
Miscellaneous	38.60	943.80	
Town Offices and Building Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$935.63		
Utilities	2,429.90		
Equipment	693.45		
Supplies	304.68		
Fuel	520.95		
Outside services	437.59	5,322.20	
Town Auditor			
Salary		200.00	
Total General Government			$55,426.49

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department		
Salaries and Wages	$20,841.60	
Car expense	652.00	
Dues, etc.	160.00	
Gas, oil and repairs	1,421.04	
Supplies	294.00	
Clothing	185.00	
Radio	114.65	
Police training	375.85	
Miscellaneous	84.61	$24,128.75
Police Cruiser		995.00
Fire Department		
Salaries and Wages	$16,010.25	
Expense of operation	3,794.11	
Equipment	1,573.13	21,377.49
Pest Control		
Salaries and Wages	$716.44	
Outside services	400.00	
Supplies	77.87	
Dues	2.00	1,196.31
Dead Wood		
Salaries and Wages	$1,865.50	
Supplies	33.22	
Equipment	349.18	
Outside services	1,251.22	3,499.12
Forest Warden		
Salaries and Wages	$360.00	
Car allowance	200.00	
Supplies	202.43	762.43
Aid to Agriculture		150.00
Tree Warden		
Salaries and Wages	$1,164.50	
Supplies	36.89	
Equipment	186.56	
Trees	293.50	
Outside services	776.85	
Miscellaneous	40.32	2,498.62
Civil Defense		
Salaries and Wages	$820.00	
Administrative expense	225.50	
Communications service	238.10	
Public information	32.86	
Surplus property	171.96	

Warden services	221.28		
Training and education	13.30	1,723.00	
Dog Officer			
Salary		160.08	
Building Inspector			
Salary	$1,800.00		
Car allowance	600.00		
Supplies	15.25		
Printing	32.59	2,447.84	
Wiring Inspector			
Salary	$600.00		
Car allowance	600.00		
Supplies	3.82	1,203.82	
Sealer of Weights and Measures			
Salary		285.00	
Board of Appeals			
Salaries and Wages		460.80	
Total Protection of Persons and Property			60,888.26

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health			
Salaries and Wages	$1,380.00		
Dues	5.00		
Electricity (Sewer Pump)	575.46		
Rental of dumps and fill	2,863.55		
Supplies	64.42		
Hospitalization	588.00		
Car allowance	250.00		
Drugs	115.50	$5,841.93	
Dental Clinic			
Salary	$1,000.00		
Supplies	34.80	1,034.80	
Mosquito Control			
Salaries and Wages	$209.75		
Outside services	2,302.00	2,511.75	
Inspector of Animals			
Salary		65.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering			
Salary		50.00	
Garbage Collector			
Outside services		5,980.00	

Sewer Construction			
Outside services		718.37	
Total Health and Sanitation			16,201.85

HIGHWAYS

Miscellaneous Highways			
Salaries and Wages	$21,040.99		
Materials	12,893.60		
Hired equipment	8,984.01		
Registration — Car Plates	33.00		
Survey and plans	22.00		
Street signs	467.59		
Repairs and parts	509.40		
Small equipment	507.84		
Express charges	29.34		
Buildings — Repairs, maintenance and heating	922.94		
Outside services	437.62		
Miscellaneous	467.73	$46,316.06	
Road Machinery Operating Account			
Gas, oil, repairs and parts		6,765.60	
Street Lights			
Payment to Utility		6,525.17	
Special Accounts			
Chapter 81			
Salaries and Wages	$6,595.94		
Material	11,665.21		
Hired equipment	3,430.85		
Town trucks	3,808.15	25,500.15	
Chapter 90 Construction (1960)			
Salaries and Wages	$3,474.20		
Materials	4,268.02		
Hired equipment	10,545.87		
Town trucks	1,706.70		
Miscellaneous	5.00	19,999.79	
Chapter 90 Construction (1961)			
Salaries and Wages	$89.20		
Materials	4,449.04		
Hired equipment	300.00		
Town trucks	37.20	4,875.44	
Chapter 90 Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$463.38		
Materials	5,111.08		
Hired equipment	208.75		
Town trucks	204.20		
Miscellaneous	5.00	5,992.41	

Sunnyside Terrace			
Salaries and Wages	$352.60		
Materials	425.47		
Outside services	63.00	841.07	
Springfield Street			
Salaries and Wages	$583.65		
Materials	3,227.39		
Outside services	11.40	3,822.44	
Faculty Street			
Salaries and Wages	$1,757.73		
Materials	4,264.59		
Outside services	10,663.50		
Miscellaneous	13.70	16,699.52	
Two-Way Radio		583.90	
Snow Plow		745.85	
Pick-up Truck		1,926.02	
Total Highways			140,593.42

CHARITIES

Department of Public Welfare			
Town Funds			
Salaries and Wages	$5,474.50		
Aid:			
General Relief	9,753.05		
Old Age Assistance	20,918.19		
Aid to Dependent Children	812.15		
Disability Assistance	1,871.60	$38,829.49	
Federal Grants			
Old Age Assistance — Administration	881.34		
Old Age Assistance — Aid	17,497.53		
Aid to Dependent Children — Aid	6,315.44		
Medical Aid for Aged	7,895.41	32,589.72	
Total Charities			71,419.21

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Veterans' Service Department			
Salaries and Wages		$405.00	
Aid		5,231.03	
Total Soldiers' Benefits			5,636.03

SCHOOLS

Local			
Town Funds			
General Control	$18,632.67		
Expense of Instruction	370,319.13		
Operation of plant	52,874.74		
Maintenance of plant	6,493.66		
Auxiliary Agencies	74,632.02		

Outlay	2,699.74	$525,651.96	
Federal Grants			
Public Law 874	$2,580.41		
Public Law 864	367.72	2,948.13	
Special Accounts			
School Building Plans		11,045.59	
Pines School Addition			
Land	$18,000.00		
Construction	248,060.97	266,060.97	
Memorial School Addition			
Construction		47,476.49	
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District			
Assessment		337,660.23	
Total Schools			1,190,843.37
LIBRARY			
Town Library			
Salaries and Wages		$13,684.62	
Books and magazines		4,030.76	
Supplies		718.75	
Fuel		961.78	
Outside services		218.71	
Equipment		389.66	
Utilities		622.37	
Miscellaneous		172.40	
Total Library			20,799.05
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS			
Parks			
Salaries and Wages	$363.60		
Hired equipment	18.00		
Supplies	74.65		
Outside services	34.00	$490.25	
Playgrounds			
Salaries and Wages	$1,814.20		
Transportation	1,317.00		
Supplies	534.26		
Outside services	180.00		
Utilities	15.55	3,861.01	
Community Program			
Salaries and Wages	$4,935.12		
Fuel	644.10	5,579.22	
Memorial and Independence Day			
Services and supplies		142.70	
Total Recreation and Celebrations			10,073.18

PENSIONS

Hampden County Retirement System			
Wilbraham Assessment			9,020.80

UNCLASSIFIED

Printing Town Reports		$2,654.00	
Insurance and Bonding		9,632.42	
History Committee		638.92	
Industrial Development Committee		448.81	
Stabilization Fund		50,000.00	
Total Unclassified			63,374.15

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE

Water Department			
Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$10,110.04		
Office supplies	166.10		
Water	8,458.06		
Hydrant rental	390.00		
Outside services	656.09		
Engineering	2,279.91		
Repairs	66.18		
Truck maintenance	552.75		
Utilities	280.84		
Postage	338.21		
Miscellaneous	133.20		
Petty cash	25.00		
Supplies	1,052.64	$24,509.02	
Installations			
Salaries and Wages	$1,042.13		
Supplies	2,349.47		
Outside services	816.00		
Miscellaneous	2.89	4,210.49	
Master Plan		3,000.00	
Total Public Service Enterprise			31,719.51

CEMETERIES

Town Cemeteries			
Salaries and Wages		$1,355.50	
Supplies		14.49	
Lumber		387.56	
Total Cemeteries			1,757.55

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

Maturing Debt			
School Bonds	$90,000.00		
Water Bonds	35,000.00	$125,000.00	

Maturing Interest			
School Bonds	$15,855.00		
Water Bonds	2,435.00	18,290.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans		1,175.05	
Total Maturing Debt and Interest			144,465.05

STATE AND COUNTY CHARGES

State Audit of Accounts	$1,712.37		
State Recreation Areas	3,131.01	$4,843.38	
County Tax	$13,165.06		
T. B. Hospital — County	1,018.84	14,183.90	
Total State and County Charges			19,027.28

REFUNDS

On Taxes			
Real Estate	$3,219.63		
Personal	4.97		
Poll	6.00		
Motor Vehicle Excise	5,705.07	$8,935.67	
General			
General Relief	$0.20		
Water Deposits	234.15		
Water Rates	30.24		
Garbage Collections	8.00		
Interest on Taxes	3.04	275.63	
Total Refunds			9,211.30

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

Federal Withholding Tax	$73,747.95	
State Withholding Tax (to State)	6,362.14	
State Withholding Tax (to Town)	52.06	
Hampden County Retirement System	8,395.43	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	3,425.75	
Total Payroll Deductions		91,983.33

AGENCY ACCOUNTS

Dog Officers Fees	$372.00	
Dog Licenses Paid to County	1,621.00	
Bliss Trust Fund Income — Deposited in Savings Account	150.26	
Loan Premiums — Paid on cost of issuance of loan	407.95	
School Lunch Program	47,283.47	
Total Agency Accounts		49,834.68

MISCELLANEOUS

Re-payment Tax Anticipation Loan	300,000.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS PER WARRANTS	$2,292,274.51

Town Collector's Report

Taxes	*Outstanding Jan. 1, 1961*	*Committed*	*Refunds*	*Cash Paid Treasurer*	*Abated*	*Transfers*	*Outstanding Dec. 31, 1961*
1958							
Poll	$4.00				$4.00		
1959							
Poll	6.00			$2.00	4.00		
Personal Property	19.50			19.50			
Real Estate	6,844.18		$35.42	6,879.60			
1960							
Poll	34.00		2.00	14.00	22.00		
Personal Property	5,818.82			3,158.70	8.12		$2,652.00
Real Estate	46,855.74		634.25	34,983.86	2,112.35		10,393.78
1961							
Poll		$4,396.00	4.00	3,782.00	540.00		78.00
Personal Property		63,338.04	4.97	54,248.26	1,107.25		7,987.50
Real Estate		967,425.41	2,549.96	893,225.00	18,461.73	(1) $28.40	58,260.24
Motor Vehicle Excise							
1958	75.32	6.03		21.09	60.26		
1959	1,829.82	51.84		341.34	1,540.32		
1960	24,813.20	36,609.98	1,810.80	53,002.83	8,352.41		1,878.74
1961		174,312.46	3,894.27	135,142.87	8,725.05		34,338.81
Farm Animal Excise							
1960	8.53			8.53			
1961		169.65		169.65			
Street Betterments							
Unapportioned	212.53			128.61		(2) 83.92	
Added Taxes							
1959	20.00			20.00			
1960	90.27			80.27			10.00
1961		391.15		314.44			76.71

Committed Interest							
1959	9.80			9.80			
1960	27.85			23.65			4.20
1961		157.86		134.58			23.28
Departmental Accounts Receivable							
Selectmen's Licenses	4,871.00	6,039.59		10,743.84	1.00		165.75
Garbage Collection	152.00	6,281.00	8.00	5,285.00	129.00		1,027.00
General Relief — Welfare	1,051.07	939.54	.20	1,918.81			72.00
Disability Assistance		226.64		226.64			
Aid to Dep. Children	357.39	2,068.19		1,468.52			957.06
Old Age Assistance	602.25	10,226.07		10,197.92			630.40
Med. Assist. for Aged		5,472.79		5,472.79			
Veterans' Services		4,145.68		4,145.68			
Water Department Rates	3,333.71	66,434.64	30.24	67,435.68	7.92		2,354.99
Miscellaneous	86.99	7,148.53		941.32		(3) 5,791.85	502.35
	$97,123.97	$1,355,841.09	$8,974.11	$1,293,546.78	$41,075.41	$5,904.17	$121,412.81

Items collected but not committed:

Interest on delinquent taxes	1,638.21
Interest on Assessments paid in advance	2.00
Costs on delinquent taxes	805.00
Municipal liens and discharges	151.00
Apportioned assessments paid in advance	376.00
CASH PAID TREASURER	$1,296,518.99

(1) To Tax Titles
(2) To Apportioned Assessments
(3) From Water Deposits

MARK E. REYNOLDS, *Town Collector*

Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures and Balances — 1961

	Dec. 31, 1961 Balances Forward	Appropriations	From Reserve Fund	Refunds and Loan	Total Available	Expended	Unexpended Balances Dec. 31, 1961
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Selectmen		$7,418.25		$41.75	$7,460.00	$6,354.15	$1,105.85
Accounting Department		2,990.50			2,990.50	2,990.50	
Town Treasurer		4,755.00	$592.91		5,347.91	5,275.53	72.38
Town Treasurer (Land Court)		50.00			50.00		50.00
Town Collector		6,588.00			6,588.00	6,467.01	120.99
Assessors		8,065.50	100.00		8,165.50	7,629.77	535.73
Assessors & Plan. Brd. Maps $2,500.00		2,500.00			5,000.00	5,000.00	
Assessors Revaluation Prog.		6,000.00			6,000.00	6,000.00	
Town Clerk		3,667.50			3,667.50	3,508.81	158.69
Legal		3,100.00	1,070.19		4,170.19	4,170.19	
Elections & Town Meeting Exp.		1,080.00			1,080.00	817.98	262.02
Registrars of Voters		1,160.00			1,160.00	746.55	413.45
Planning Board		975.00			975.00	943.80	31.20
Planning Brd. Master Plan		6,000.00			6,000.00		6,000.00
Town Offices & Bldg. Maint.		5,200.00	122.20		5,322.20	5,322.20	
Town Auditor		200.00			200.00	200.00	
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY							
Police Department		24,631.00			24,631.00	24,128.75	502.25
Police Cruiser		850.00	145.00		995.00	995.00	
Fire Department		22,204.00			22,204.00	21,377.49	826.51
Pest Control		1,200.00			1,200.00	1,196.31	3.69
Dead Wood		3,500.00			3,500.00	3,499.12	.88
Forest Warden		900.00			900.00	762.43	137.57
Aid to Agriculture		150.00			150.00	150.00	
Tree Warden		1,500.00	1,000.00		2,500.00	2,498.62	1.38
Civil Defense	338.07	2,320.00			2,658.07	1,723.00	935.07
Dog Officer		165.00			165.00	160.08	4.92

Building Inspector		2,450.00			2,450.00	2,447.84	2.16
Wiring Inspector		1,250.00			1,250.00	1,203.82	46.18
Sealer of Weights and Measures		292.25			292.25	285.00	7.25
Board of Appeals		475.00			475.00	460.80	14.20
HEALTH AND SANITATION							
Board of Health		7,190.00			7,190.00	5,841.93	1,348.07
Dental Clinic		1,050.00			1,050.00	1,034.80	15.20
Mosquito Control		2,600.00			2,600.00	2,511.75	88.25
Inspector of Animals		65.00			65.00	65.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering		50.00			50.00	50.00	
Garbage Collection		6,000.00			6,000.00	5,980.00	20.00
Sewer Construction	1,704.70				1,704.70	718.37	986.33
HIGHWAYS							
Highways Miscellaneous		50,400.00			50,400.00	46,316.06	4,083.94
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.		6,000.00	765.60		6,765.60	6,765.60	
Street Light		6,995.00			6,995.00	6,525.17	469.83
Chapter 81		25,500.00		550.00	26,050.00	25,500.15	549.85
Chapter 90 Maintenance		6,000.00			6,000.00	5,992.41	7.59
Chapter 90 Const. (1960)	20,000.00				20,000.00	19,999.79	.21
Chapter 90 Construction		26,000.00			26,000.00	4,875.44	21,124.56
Sunnyside Terrace		1,000.00			1,000.00	841.07	158.93
Springfield Street		4,000.00			4,000.00	3,822.44	177.56
Faculty Street		16,700.00			16,700.00	16,699.52	.48
Two-Way Radio		600.00			600.00	583.90	16.10
Snow Plow		800.00			800.00	745.85	54.15
Pick-up Truck		2,250.00			2,250.00	1,926.02	323.98
CHARITIES							
Dept. of Public Welfare		5,998.00			5,998.00	5,474.50	523.50
General Relief		11,000.00			11,000.00	9,753.05	1,246.95
Old Age Assistance		21,000.00		69.62	21,069.62	20,918.19	151.43
Aid to Dependent Children		1,000.00			1,000.00	812.15	187.85
Disability Assistance		3,000.00			3,000.00	1,871.60	1,128.40

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES — 1961 (Continued)

	Dec. 31, 1961 Balances Forward	Appropriations	From Reserve Fund	Refunds and Loan	Total Available	Expended	Unexpended Balances Dec. 31, 1960
SOLDIERS BENEFITS							
Veterans' Service Department		405.00			405.00	405.00	
Aid		7,000.00		120.00	7,120.00	5,231.03	1,888.97
SCHOOLS							
Local		541,616.00			541,616.00	525,651.96	15,964.04
School Buildings Plans	15,335.93				15,335.93	11,045,59	4,290.34
Pines School Add. — Land		18,000.00			18,000.00	18,000.00	
Pines School Add. — Const.		225,000.00		†205,000.00	430,000.00	248,060.97	181,939.03
Memorial School Addition		58,000.00			58,000.00	47,476.49	10,523.51
Hampden Wilbraham Regional		337,659.94	.29		337,660.23	337,660.23	
Stony Hill Addition	*80,443.90						
LIBRARY							
Library Operation		21,196.00			21,196.00	20,799.05	396.95
Library Plans	230.25				230.25		230.25
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS							
Parks		675.00			675.00	490.25	184.75
Playgrounds		3,862.00			3,862.00	3,861.01	.99
Spec Pond		12,000.00			12,000.00		12,000.00
Community Program		6,000.00			6,000.00	5,579.22	420.78
Memorial and Independence Day		250.00			250.00	142.70	107.30
PENSIONS							
Hampden County Retire. System		9,020.80			9,020.80	9,020.80	
UNCLASSIFIED							
Printing Town Reports		2,500.00	154.00		2,654.00	2,654.00	
Insurance and Bonding		7,600.00	2,100.00	184.74	9,884.74	9,632.42	252.32
History Committee	5,016.65	2,500.00			7,516.65	638.92	6,877.73

Industrial Development Com.		600.00			600.00	448.81	151.19
Stabilization Fund		50,000.00			50,000.00	50,000.00	
Removal of Buildings		500.00			500.00		500.00
Reserve Fund		20,000.00			‡20,000.00	6,050.19	13,949.81
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE							
Water Department:							
Maintenance		24,650.00			24,650.00	24,509.02	140.98
Installations		11,000.00			11,000.00	4,210.49	6,789.51
Water Mains	689.65				689.65		689.65
Master Plan		3,000.00			3,000.00	3,000.00	
CEMETERIES		2,600.00			2,600.00	1,757.55	842.45
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST							
Maturing Debt							
School Bonds		90,000.00			90,000.00	90,000.00	
Water Bonds		35,000.00			35,000.00	35,000.00	
Maturing Interest							
School Bonds		15,855.00			15,855.00	15,855.00	
Water Bonds		2,435.00			2,435.00	2,435.00	
Interest on Temp. Loans		2,000.00		60.00	2,060.00	1,175.05	884.95
	$126,259.15					§$1,786,680.07	
	— 80,443.90					+ 6,050.19	
TOTAL	$45,815.25	$1,837,759.74	$6,050.19	$206,026.11	$2,095,651.29	$1,792,730.26	¶$302,921.03

* Transferred to Pines School Addition
† Loan for Pine School Addition
‡ Transfers to Appropriation
¶ Appropriation Expenditures

§ Appropriations Carried Forward	$246,096.47
To Surplus	46,430.33
To Road Machinery Account	394.23
To Overlay Reserve	10,000.00
	$302,921.03

Non-Appropriation Expenditures 1961

Federal Grants:		
Department of Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance — Administration	$881.34	
Old Age Assistance — Aid	17,497.53	
Aid to Dependent Children — Aid	6,315.44	
Medical Assistance for the Aged — Aid	7,895.41	$32,589.72
School Department:		
Public Law 874	$2,580.41	
Public Law 864	367.72	2,948.13
State and County Charges:		
State Audit of Accounts	$1,712.37	
State Recreation Areas	3,131.01	4,843.38
County Tax	$13,165.06	
T. B. Hospital (County)	1,018.84	14,183.90
Refunds:		
On Taxes:		
Real Estate	$3,219.63	
Personal	4.97	
Poll	6.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise	5,705.07	8,935.67
General:		
General Relief	$0.20	
Water Deposits	234.15	
Water Rates	30.24	
Garbage Collections	8.00	
Interest on Taxes	3.04	275.63
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Withholding Tax	$73,747.95	
State Withholding Tax (To State)	6,362.14	
State Withholding Tax (To Town)	52.06	
Hampden County Retirement System	8,395.43	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	3,425.75	91,983.33
Agency Accounts:		
Dog Officer's Fees	$372.00	
Dog Licenses Paid County	1,621.00	
Bliss Trust Fund Income — Deposited in Savings Account	150.26	
Loan Premium	407.95	
School Lunch Program	47,283.47	49,834.68

Miscellaneous:	
Repayment of Tax Anticipation Loan	300,000.00
Non-appropriation Expenditures	$505,594.44
Appropriation Expenditures	1,786,680.07
Total Expenditures per Warrant	$2,292,274.51

Recapitulation of Estimated Receipts — 1961

	Assessors' Estimate	*Received*
Income Tax	$100,709.06	$98,990.03
Corporation Taxes	26,133.82	28,522.15
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	436.91	708.91
Old Age Tax (Meals — Chapt. 64B-S 10)	1,171.20	1,220.30
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	128,581.10	182,803.06
Licenses	6,976.24	10,809.09
Fines — Court and Library	1,847.00	1,930.67
Special Assessments	4,040.58	1,087.35
General Government	2,387.65	6,968.40
Protection of Persons and Property	2,236.50	4,089.94
Charities (other than federal grants)	2,262.12	9,086.56
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	10,759.58	10,313.76
Veterans' Services	2,021.65	4,145.68
School (Funds from Income Tax not to be included)	50,334.57	53,201.72
Libraries — Rent	840.00	840.00
Public Services Enterprise (Water Dept.)	61,076.13	74,193.61
Interest: On Taxes and deposits	3,513.80	3,719.51
State Assistance for School Construction — Chapter 645, Act of 1948	74,638.29	74,638.29
Farm Animal Excise	182.49	178.18
Costs on Taxes		805.00
Municipal liens and disolving liens		151.00
Performance bond called		1,800.00
State Tax compensation		52.06
Library Aid (from State)		1,551.27
Miscellaneous refunds		224.78
	$480,148.69	$572,031.22
Receipts in Excess of Estimate	91,882.53*	
	$572,031.22	

* *Transferred to Surplus*

Recapitulation of Surplus Revenue — 1961

Balance January 1, 1961	$224,343.31
Appropriated at town meetings 1961	— 112,500.00
	$111,843.31
Civil defense appropriation closed December 31, 1960 — reopened January 1, 1961 — allowable appropriation to be carried forward	338.07
	$111,505.24
Restored to Surplus Revenue from receipts from State and County for Aid to Highways	37,181.03
Estimated receipts in excess of estimate	91,882.53
Appropriation balances	46,430.33
Additional taxes not entering into computation of tax levy for 1961	745.50
	$287,744.63
Real estate taxes 1961 added to tax titles of prior year takings	28.40
Surplus Revenue December 31, 1961	$287,716.23

Town Auditor's Report

From many diversified checks made on the Town Collector's books and reports and the Town Treasurer's books and bank reports, it is my strong belief that all money collected and received for the Town of Wilbraham during the entire year of 1961 has been properly recorded and pomptly deposited, and that considering all said receipts, all temporary loans, the cash balance of December 31, 1960, and all disbursements made during the entire year, the Town Treasurer's reported cash balance of December 31, 1961 is correct and fully accounted for by safe bank deposits and cash on hand.

WILLIAM T. PAYNE

FOR THE RECORD — We know you are as proud and pleased as we are that our Town Report won First Prize last year in our class of town-size. Pictured at right, left to right: Selectmen Richard L. Danforth, Roger T. Hintze, Jesse L. Rice; and Town Report Committeemen Warren I. Fillmore, Burton W. Hall, Chester L. Thorndike, Jr. (Mrs. Eugene H. McGinty, our Town Report Committee art advisor, had moved to St. Louis by the time this picture was taken and her replacement, artist Richard C. Stevens, serving on this year's committee, had not yet been appointed.)

Photo by Nadolski

Town Services — Telephone Directory

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire Department

TO REPORT A FIRE OR AN EMERGENCY 596 3111
Station — Boston Road 596 3122
Station — Main Street 596 3916
Chief Tupper 596 3014

Police

Local Patrol 596 3837
Chief Pollitt 596 4756
State Police ..... Palmer AT 3-5671

Civil Defense **..... 596 3838**
Director Hintze 596 3030

Department	*Call*	*Telephone*
Assessors	Assessors	596 3816
Birth, Death, Marriage Certificates	Town Clerk	596 3816
Board of Health	Selectmen	596 3816
Building Permits	Town Clerk	596 3816
	Inspector	596 3807
Charities and Relief	Welfare Department	596 3816
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	596 3816
Dog Roaming	Dog Officer	596 4019
Fishing & Hunting Licenses	Town Clerk	596 3816
Forest Warden	Fire Chief	596 3122
Highways	Superintendent	596 3060
Library	Librarian	596 4461
Planning Board	Secretary	596 3816
Rubbish, Garbage Disposal	Selectmen	596 3816
Schools	Minnechaug	596 6161
Schools	Pines	596 4974
Schools	Springfield St.	596 4642
Schools	Memorial	596 3465
Schools	Stony Hill Road	596 4974
School Nurse	Memorial	596 3465
Selective Service System	Local Board No. 84	Palmer AT 3-5836
Supt. of Schools	Minnechaug	596 4266
Taxes	Town Collector	596 3816
Town Treasurer	Treasurer	596 3816
Trees	Tree Warden	596 3595
Veterans Services	Veterans Agent	525 7547
Visiting Nurse	Visiting Nurse Assoc.	Spfld. RE 2-4145
Water Department	Superintendent	596 3816, 596 3060
	Sundays and Holidays	596 3413

WILBRAHAM

ANNUAL REPORT

1962

1762.

Warrant articles.

The Articles Inserted in a Warrant for Calling a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the fourth Precinct in Springfield on Jany ye 7th 1762 are as follows - Viz^{d} -

1 To Choose a Moderator for Said Meeting -
2 To Grant the Revd Mr Noah Mirick's Salary for the year Past
3 To Grant Money to Defray Precinct Charges
4 To Chose a Com^{tee} to try to Set of to be a District or Town

Jan. 1st Precinct meeting.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Fourth Precinct in Springfield Qualified & Assembled According to Law at the Meeting House on Jany ye 7th 1762

Dec^{n} Nath^{ll} Harriner Chosen Moderator for s^{d} Meeting

Voted & Granted to Revd Mr Noah Mirick for his Sallary from Jany 1st 1761 - to Jany 1 - 1762 Fifty Three Pounds Six Shillings & Eight Pence Lawfull Money & ye Sum was Agreed upon by Revd Mr Noah Mirick

Dan^{ll} Harner
Dan^{ll} Cadwell
James Warriner
} Com^{tee}

£53 - 6 - 8 - 0

Voted & Granted Five Pound Ten Shillings Nine pence two Farthings for Work & Materials to finish the Gallary Seats in the Meeting House the Summer Past in Full £5 - 10 - 9^{q} 2

Granted One pound Four Shillings for Contingent Charges £1 - 4 - 0 - 0

£60 - 1 - 5^{q} - 2

And Voted that Whole of the of Money be Raised off the Polls and Ratable Estates of the Inhabitants of this Precinct & that the Assessors make a Rate Accordingly

Voted to Raise One Pound four Shillings as Contingent Charges £1 - 4 - 0 - 0

Voted that John Bliss William King Dan^{ll} Cadwell Stephen Stebbins & James Warriner be a Com^{tee} to Apply to the Town for their Consent that we be Set of a District or Town

ANNUAL REPORT

WILBRAHAM

MASSACHUSETTS

1962

The feature section in the front of this Town Report is intended as a glimpse of the town as it was more than 200 years ago, before it became a Town.

Wilbraham was incorporated as a Town June 15, 1763. Therefore, the Town Report for 1963, which will be published and distributed next year, will cover the highlights of our town affairs for its two centuries as a Town.

Opposite Page: Here we see a copy of the Warrant Articles and Precinct Meeting Notice for that last year before Wilbraham became a Town — The Year of Our Lord — 1762.

Cover: You will note that the public proclamation being made by the Town Crier on the cover of this Report, is the 200th anniversary date of the Town.

The cover and all sketches by: Richard C. Stevens

Concerning the Name of our Town.
(Which originally included both Wilbraham and Hampden.)

The Indians called the area "Minnechaug," which means "Berry land," and they burned it over every year, probably to promote the growth of berries and to better raise their corn. According to the early settlers, "a deer could be seen from mountain to mountain."

The original Springfield settlers called it the east "Outward Commons," or "Mountains of Springfield." It was purchased for Springfield in 1674 by Elizur Holyoke and others, from three Indian families, for 180 fathoms of wampum.

In 1741, it was incorporated as a district, or parish, for the support of a minister, and became known as the "Fourth District," or "Fourth Parish."

The name Wilbraham was chosen when it was incorporated as a town June 15, 1763. According to the Peck History, the most likely accounting for the name is that the ancestors of the Pynchons and the Stebbins families came from Wilburgham, England. The inhabitants objected to the name, which is said to mean "Wild Boar's Home."

Concerning the First Settlers.

In the summer of 1730, Nathaniel Hitchcock came out from Springfield cleared and broke up two acres of ground, and erected a log hut on the west side of our present Main Street about one-half mile south of our center village.

After sowing his two acres with wheat, Hitchcock returned to Springfield to spend the winter and make the few preparations which were necessary to remove his wife, whom he had married that year, to his hut by the "Mountains." In the following spring, May 1731, he came out with his wife to his narrow field and low hut, and resided here a full year, with no neighbors nearer than Springfield, nine miles away.

The settlement grew at the rate of one family a year for the first four years. By 1741 there were 26 settlers.

During this period all public business, both municipal and ecclesiastical, was transacted in Springfield. The first settlers were struggling with stubborn soil, and with the beasts and birds for the necessities of life and security of their persons. It was a period of hard labor, poor returns and patient endurance.

Concerning the First School.

This information is scanty, but we do know that in 1737, when there were 11 families, the appropriation was 3 pounds. (One pound equalled about 3 days work.) In 1740, there were 38 children and the appropriation was 6 pounds.

In 1752, the first schoolhouse was completed and cost 6 pounds.

By 1762 there were 2 schools, the appropriation that year was 90 pounds, and there were then about 475 people in the town.

The Testament was the school text-book as well as the oracle of the church. Dilworth's spelling book was their guide in spelling. Of geography nothing was taught; of arithmetic, but little.

Concerning our Early Roads.

Prior to 1763 a few roads were laid out within the precinct by the town of Springfield and some by the County. However, they were mere cart, or bridle-paths, leading from one neighbor to another. No work appears to have been done but to pick up a few stones, make crossings over brooks, and cut away brush which tended to intrude the path.

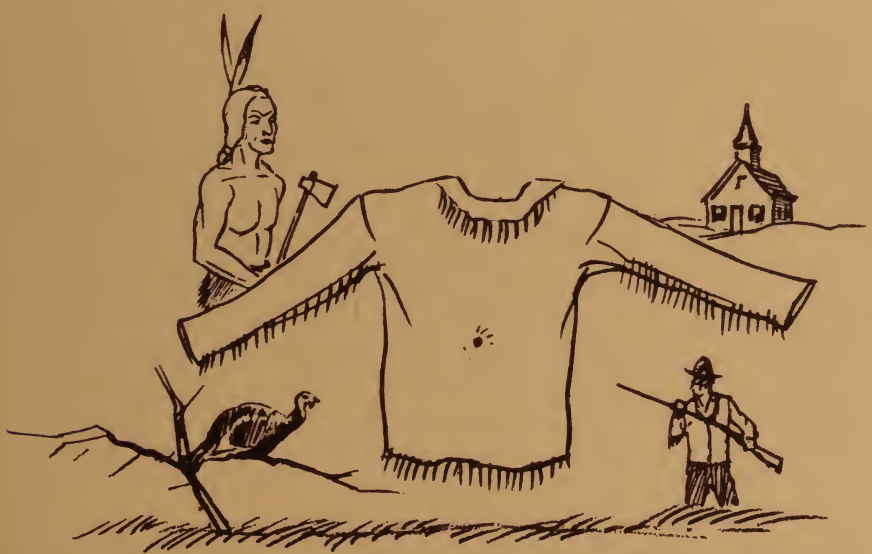
Concerning Dipping Hole Road.

On a Sabbath morning in winter, probably about 1737, it is told how a certain Miss Peggy, clad in her "Sabba day" fixings and finery, mounted her horse and started for the distant sanctuary, passing along the highway which leads off to the westward from our West Street about midway between Springfield Street and Ludlow village. While crossing a shallow marsh, over which the trail led, the thin ice broke under the combined weight and the horse, the fixings, the finery, and Miss Peggy, were all dipped in the freezing water. The place has since been known as "Peggy's Dipping Hole."

Concerning the Legend of Kibbe's Shirt.

An alarm was once raised in Wilbraham that the Indians were coming. It was on this wise: One Kibbe went into the woods on Sunday, to get his cow, and not having the fear of either God or the law before his eyes, he took his gun in case he should meet any game. Not long after he left home, the report of two guns was heard, and Kibbe came running back in great apparent trepidation, saying he had been fired at by two Indians, and that there were more lurking in the woods. The whole country was alarmed, and the woods were scoured in search of the "salvages." None were found, nor any traces discovered. Suspicion began that all was not right with

Kibbe. A more particular examination of his shirt was instituted. He declared that he received one shot in his breast, and when he turned to run, another shot took him in his back. Lo, it was so; a bullet hole was made through his shirt before; another through his shirt behind. But alas for Kibbe's veracity, not for his comfort, there was no hole into or through his body, where the bullet went! He saw he was caught, and made confession that seeing game, he was tempted to fire; that he at once bethought that he was exposed to prosecution for violating the Sabbath, and took off his shirt and fired through it, to make his neighbors believe that the Indians had attacked him. So originated and ended the only alarm of an Indian attack on Wilbraham.



Concerning the Indian Squaw.

One Indian squaw lived alone in her wigwam by a little brook, and that fact gave the name to "Wigwam Hill" where the first meeting-house and parsonage was erected. Her name was We-sha-u-gan. She was sometimes invited to take dinner with the minister's family, and once she invited them to come and have dinner with her. Before accepting the

invitation, the minister's wife felt a little anxiety to know what she intended to have for dinner. She approached the subject in a round-about way, and the Indian woman told her she had caught a nice fat skunk for roasting, and she wished them to taste the cooking of Wesh-augan. To partake of such a dinner was, of course, out of the question. But Mrs. Merrick did not wish to hurt the old squaw's feelings, and so told her, in as kindly a way as she could, that while it was perfectly proper for the Indian woman to eat at the minister's table, his position would not permit him to eat at hers. Eventually she disappeared. Of the manner of her death, or of her burial-place, no man knoweth.

Concerning the First Minister Ordained.

As soon as they had been incorporated as a parish in 1741, the Rev. Noah Merrick was given a call which he accepted. It was finally determined to hold the ordination ceremony under an oak tree then standing near the house of Daniel Warner, but it proved rainy. The gathering was forced to go into a neighboring barn belonging to Nathan Warriner where the services were performed.

Concerning the Salary of the First Minister.

Prior to ordination of the minister, a committee was chosen to "Regulate a salary to ofer to Mr. Mirick." They reported "the money or Coin in this Province is so variable and uncertain as to its value in Proportion with other commodaties that they can't think it a medium whereby the salary can be settled or ascertained with any safety or security either to the Minister or People." "Wherefore," they continued, "we have considered the value or Currant Market Price of the several Commodaties hereafter mentioned, Viz: Indian Corn att 6s. per booshel; Wheat, 11s. per booshel; Rie, 8s. 6d. per booshel; Barley, 8s. per booshel; Oats 4s. per booshel; Flax, from ye

swingle, 1s 6d. per pound; Beaf, 5d. per pound." They further recommended "that Mr. Mirick be Elowed either money for his salary Bills or other Commodaties or Considerations Equal to One Hundred Pound a year for the first four years."

Concerning the "Parson's Rose."

In October, 1744, the Reverend Merrick married Abigail Brainard of Haddam, Conn. On their journey on horseback to his parish, she carried some slips of a rose bush from her old home, and set them out by the new one. She gave many slips to the neighbors, and some are still in existence here. The variety became known as the "Parson's Rose." Subsequently a poem was written and entitled "Parson's Rose" and published in 1904-05.

Concerning the First Meeting House.

In 1748, after a struggle of nearly seven years, the place for setting the meeting house was finally determined and the necessary funds voted. "Voated and Granted Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds old tenor . . .." The delay gives rise to the statement that "This period is occupied chiefly by ecclesiastical affairs, the organization of a religious society, the gathering of a church, the settlement of a minister, the building of a meeting house, and the adjustment of those troubles which parishes and churches then, as now, found it hard to settle."

Concerning a Typical Sabbath.

On a Sabbath day, wending their way through the fields, and along woodland trails, and by obscure bridle-paths, came the Chapins, the Bartletts, Hitchcocks, Brewers, Warriners, Warners, Merricks, and many others, to the place of the sanctuary. After they were seated, the minister read a hymn, then handed the book over the rough pulpit — for there was but one hymn-book in the precinct, and that was the minis-

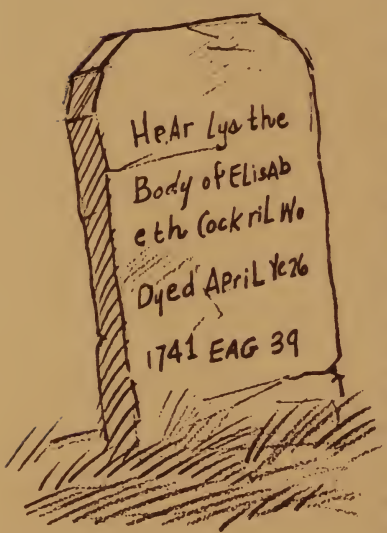
ter's — to Deacon Warriner, who named the tune, gave the pitch, read one line and commenced singing, the congregation following after as ability and strength permitted; the Deacon considerately waiting before he gave out another line 'til the most dilatory had finished.

After the hymn, there followed a prayer, then another hymn and so on until the noon benediction was pronounced.

The families then gathered outside to eat their frugal dinners.

The afternoon service followed, similar in all respects to the morning, ending so all could reach home by sundown.

Concerning the First Burial.



The first tenant of the Burying Ground was "Widow Elizabeth Cockril who Dyed Apr. 26th 1741. She was the first person y^{t} was Bured in ye mountains." Dr. Merrick says of this incident: "In April 1741, Elizabeth Cockrel of Boston on a visit to her sister, who was Samuel Warner's wife, sickened and died here. Mr. Warner buried her here, and though he was not a stone man (stone cutter) he got two flat stones and engraved her name, the time of her death, and that it was the first grave. Though I knew of the stones, they were so covered with moss that they could not be read. I got the moss scraped off and pointed (?) so that now it is legible."

It should be noted that this was not the first death in the settlement. The first death recorded is that of "David Jones, son of David and Hannah Jones died Aug. 19, 1736. Buried at Springfield." Dr. Merrick says in his address that the father did not want his child to be the first tenant of the Burying Ground. Two other deaths occurred before 1741, and both were interred at Springfield.

Concerning the First Two-Story Frame House.

In 1744, Abel Bliss began to erect a large two-story house 32 × 40 feet. The plan was so pretentious that it is said

the Rev. Noah Merrick, ascertaining what a grand mansion his parishioner was about to build, and perhaps fearing that his people were becoming inflated with worldly pride, thought it incumbent on him to check such tendencies at the beginning. So on a Sunday morning, he took for the text of his sermon the words, "Build not your house too high." Whereupon the rebuked Abel cut off the upright posts of his house seven inches, lowering the first story that much.

Concerning the Elegy of the Young Man Bitten by a Rattlesnake.

"Timothy Mirrick, the son of Lt. Thomas and Mary Mirrick was bit by a ratel snake on August the 7th, 1761, and died within about two or three ours, he being 22 years old and vary near the point of marridg." He was mowing in a meadow off Main Street in the most southerly place in our town when the tragic event occurred. That summer was very dry and it was supposed that the serpent had come down from "Rattlesnake Peak," where there were known to be a few, to the meadow, in search of water. "A search for the snake was made the next day, and it was found coiled up near the seythe of young Timothy, and was killed." A poem was written on this sad event, which has had wide circulation.

The foregoing condensed anecdotes and highlights of our early town history are in nowise intended as an infringement on the much more complete and able work being done by others.

Sources: The Stebbins and the Peck Histories of Wilbraham together with the Historical Address in 1831 by Dr. Samuel F. Merrick.

In Memoriam

WILLIAM T. PAYNE

WILLIAM POLLITT

JOHN J. LYONS

Governmental Districts and Representatives for the Town of Wilbraham

Second Congressional District
Seventh Councillor District
Worcester and Hampden Senatorial District
First Hampden Representative District

United States Senators

Leverett Saltonstall, Dover
Benjamin Smith, 2nd, Gloucester

Representatives in General Court

Raymond H. Beach, Wilbraham
George T. Smith, E. Longmeadow

State Senator

Paul H. Benoit, Southbridge

County Commissioners

Thomas F. Sullivan, Springfield
William F. Stapleton, Holyoke
Ralph P. Walsh, Longmeadow

Democratic Town Committee

Henry Baush
Constantine Cioch
Joseph D. Connelly
Mary B. Connelly
William G. Dale
Earl W. Decorie
Irene A. Donovan
Robert D. Driscoll
Edward O. Felsentreger
Walter J. Freely
Thomas F. Gallagher
Edward W. Irla
Mary A. Irla
Edward S. Kapinos
Stanley E. Kogut
Robert LaBroad
Joseph Mell
Earl W. Moody
Patrick J. O'Connor
Joseph M. O'Neil
Stanley J. Peczka, *Chair.*
William Prendergast
Alphonse S. Sambor
F. Scott-Smith
Louis Smola
Jane F. Sullivan
Vincent T. Sullivan
Edward Szustak

Associate Membership

Dr. Thomas Ashe
Anthony Bertheaume
Mary Celentano
Andrew Duzsik
Harry King
Peter Luongo
John De Marco
Ralph Rocheford

Republican Town Committee

Richard H. Allen
Stanley Arabik
Maurice H. Baitler
Roland H. Bennett
Arthur A. Binder
Paul Cambo
George G. Canney
Phyllis R. Christensen
Bettylee M. Cizek
Charles E. Dorey
Roger W. Folsom
Oren K. Gilbert
Edward H. Godfrey
Herman G. Grandchamp
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr.
Harold K. Jones
G. Walter Johnson
Jean R. LaCroix
Edmund S. Lee
Jacquelyn W. Lewis
Evelyn M. Macdonald
Charles L. Merrick, *Chair.*
A. Douglas Morgan
Earl H. Paine
Leo P. Paradis

Marjorie W. Payne
E. Helen Porter
Barbara M. Putnam
Franklin T. Richardson
Charles H. Sheline
Bruce A. Stephens
Gladys K. Steup
Harold F. Swetland
Myrtie A. Trant
W. Edwin Watkins

Associate Membership

Mary M. Arabik
Anne F. Avon
Beatrice Becker
Marie K. Blaisdell
Harry C. Crawford, Jr.
Jean S. Dana
Robert P. Ensign
Vernon R. Farnsworth
Filomena M. Gilbert
Phyllis A. Gleason
Alice Grandchamp
Wanda Gurski
Louise P. Kilcourse
Charles E. Lenz, Jr.
Doris A. Long
Curtis McDonald
Howard B. Miller
William J. Miller
Lester Mount, Jr.
Byron I. Musselman
Spottiswoode W. Randolph
E. Donald Riddle
George H. Robinson, Jr.
Donald P. Searles
Gilbert E. Stacy
Elizabeth A. Stephens
Julia C. Szczebak
Alvin P. Trombly
Carol A. VanBrocklyn

Honorary Roll

J. Loring Brooks

Elected Town Officers

AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

Richard L. Danforth, *Chair.*, 1963
Roger T. Hintze, 1964
Jesse L. Rice, 1965

Town Collector

Mark E. Reynolds, 1963

Town Clerk

Doris G. Cochran, 1963

Town Treasurer

Doris G. Cochran, 1963

Assessors

Harold K. Jones, *Chair.*, 1963
Allan R. Kinney, 1964
Edward H. Godfrey, 1965

School Committee

Alexander W. Marco, *Chair.*, 1963
Harry J. Dabagian, 1963
Ethel M. Musselman, 1964
Margaret L. Williams, 1964 (Resigned)
Dr. Clayton L. Thomas (Appointed to fill vacancy)
Bruce A. Stephens, 1965

Auditor

William T. Payne, 1963 (Deceased)
Spencer W. Moore (Appointed to fill vacancy)

Tree Warden

Gordon Long, 1963

Cemetery Commissioners

Roland H. Bennett, 1963
John Bernet, 1964
Weldon G. Jameson, 1965

Water Commissioners

John W. Gale, 1963
Willard P. Willis, Jr., *Chair.*, 1964
William R. Hannah, 1965

Moderator

Ernest W. Furnans, Jr., 1963

Trustees of Public Library

Loni Brower, 1963
James B. McGuire, 1964
Mary G. Ronk, *Chair.*, 1965

Planning Board

Leo E. Kuehn, *Chair.*, 1963
Richard H. Morgan, 1964
Robert G. Carter, 1965 (Resigned)
Herbert P. Daunheimer (Appointed to fill vacancy)
Bion T. Wheeler, Jr., 1966
William Sullivan, Jr., 1967

Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee

John R. Lyman, *Chair.*, 1965
Doris C. Bowman, 1965
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr., 1963
Chester L. Thorndike, 1964

Pound Keeper

Robert A. Converse, 1963

Surveyors of Lumber

Walter H. Clark, 1963
Jesse L. Rice, 1963

Field Drivers

Benjamin F. Griffin, 1963
Peter Presz, 1963
Leonard VonFlatern, Sr., 1963

Weighers of Grain

Weldon G. Jameson, 1963
Jesse L. Rice, 1963

Measurers of Wood and Charcoal

Walter H. Clark, 1963
Edward P. Lindsay, 1963

Officers Appointed by Selectmen
AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Finance Committee
Aldo E. Alberici, *Chairman*
Irving J. Cordner
Fred T. Googins
Earl W. Decorie (Resigned)
Alphonse S. Sambor
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
Herman G. Grandchamp
Albert H. Howes
Albert E. Neale
Marshall Roper
Harry C. Crawford, Jr.

Superintendent of Streets
Herbert L. Butler

Police Chief
William Pollitt
(Deceased Dec. 23, 1962)
John Chrzanowski, *Acting Chief*

Constables
Robert A. Converse
Robert C. Dietz

Milk Inspector
Health Officer (Sanitarian)
John A. Brickett

Dog Officer
Animal Inspector
Slaughtering Inspector
Robert A. Converse

Secretary to Selectmen
Mary L. Powers

Bookkeeper
Josephine M. Pease

Accountant
Joseph A. Reilly

Town Counsel
W. Edwin Watkins

Pest Control Officer
Gordon R. Long

Fire Chief
Forest Warden
Ralph E. Tupper

School Dentist
Dr. George H. Nieske

Board of Appeals
Harry R. Jeffrey, 1963
W. Edwin Watkins, *Chair.*, 1964
Ralph E. Keyes, Assoc. Mem., 1963
Pearl R. Kinney, 1965

Veterans Agent
George A. Dusenberry, Jr.

Sealer of Weights and Measures
Charles L. Merrick

Registrars of Voters
Doris G. Cochran, 1963
(Ex Officio)
Henry P. Baush, 1963
Leonard F. VonFlatern, Sr., 1964
(Resigned)
Patrick J. O'Connor, 1964
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
George G. Canney, 1965

Playground Commissioners
Truman R. Swallow, *Chair.*
Bruce Crawford
Harold Lovering, Jr.

Board of Fire Commissioners
Wesley G. Chapman, *Chair.*
Ettore L. Pederzani
Rudolph L. Shultz

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Roger T. Hintze (Ex Officio)
William Pollitt (Deceased)
Ralph E. Tupper
G. Frederic Boyce

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History Committee

Charles L. Merrick, *Chair.*
Henry I. Edson
Raymond F. Gurney
Harry R. Jeffrey
Ralph M. Kilcourse
Mrs. Dudley Cloud

Celebration Committee

Robert A. Edwards, *Chair.*
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Electrical Inspector

William E. Fitzgerald

Town Report Committee

Warren I. Fillmore, *Chair.*
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Chester L. Thorndike, Jr.
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School Survey Committee

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Larry Dwight Lewis
Frederick B. Seel

Fence Viewers

Gordon W. Holdridge
Harry R. Jeffrey (Resigned)
W. Gilbert Allyn
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
Harry R. Whyte

Shade Tree Committee

Clifford W. Burgess, *Chair.*
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Clyde F. Barlow
Roger T. Hintze
Gordon R. Long

Power Transmission Committee

Edward H. Godfrey, *Chair.*
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Clifford W. Burgess
James P. Saxe
Richard L. Danforth
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Clayton N. Fuller

Selectmen's Report

During the year 1962 the Town of Wilbraham made normal progress in the improvement of its physical facilities. The reconstruction of Monson Road, with State and County assistance under the Chapter 90 program, was completed from Ridge Road to the Glendale four corners. Two sections of Main Street were resurfaced — from Boston Road to Merrill Road and from Buckley Street to Woodland Dell Road. In line with the town's policy of solving some drainage problems each year, in order of importance, drainage was installed on Stony Hill Road from Brookdale Drive south and from the Parkway Theatre's driveway south to the brook and on North Main Street in the Decorie Drive area.

Proposed for 1963, and approved by the State Department of Public Works under Chapter 90, is the reconstruction of Dipping Hole Road. This road bears considerable traffic and is at present hazardous because of its narrow width and several sharp curves where visibility is poor. Currently planned drainage will relieve bad situations on North Main Street from Pease Street to Decorie Drive and on Stony Hill Road in the area of Glenn Drive. To improve and maintain some of our more heavily travelled ways, resurfacing is proposed on the following roads: on South Main Street from Woodland Dell Road to Tinkham Road, on Stony Hill Road from Boston Road north to the Springfield line, and on River Road from Old Boston Road to Stony Hill Road. Another item being proposed under a special article at the coming Annual Meeting is the construction of a sidewalk on Main Street from Woodland Dell Road to the entrance to the High School. This would enable school pupils in this area to safely walk to the High School and the proposed new Elementary School thus saving the expense of 1½ school buses. The economics involved indicate that the sidewalk would be a good investment.

In 1962 the town purchased a new ambulance to provide, under custody of the Fire Department, service to all residents as required. This replaces the emergency vehicle so generously donated to the town by the Grange ten years ago.

The whole town was saddened by the death of its Police Chief, William Pollitt, on December 23, 1962. Bill Pollitt, by his per-

sonal qualities, his devotion to duty, and the efficient conduct of his department had gained the respect and affection of all who knew him.

Demands on the services of the Police Department have steadily increased along with the growth of the town. In order to provide the minimum coverage required for the protection of persons and property, including the necessary investigative and administrative work involved, it would be necessary to hire an additional full-time patrolman and to add further to the part-time use of the Auxiliary Police. The budget for the coming year reflects the cost of this recommended increase in the police personnel.

Miss Helen C. Boden who for many years was the Selectmen's secretary and later assumed the position of Welfare Director for the Town of Wilbraham, retired on August 1, 1962. Her devoted, conscientious service to the Town will never be forgotten because she truly could be classified as a dedicated servant respected for her devotion to duty and willingness to be helpful. Her presence around the Town Office will be missed not only by town officials and employees, but by citizens who have sought her advice. We all wish her a long, happy and healthful retirement.

For a good many years the town has conducted a Dental Clinic in the schools. In addition to examining each child, the dentist used to do some work on the teeth. With the increased number of children the dentist has, in recent years, merely made an examination and when, in his opinion, some work was required has sent a notice via the child to his own dentist. We now believe that this service can be discontinued entirely as of April 1, 1963. There are several dentists practicing in town and we feel confident that most children are receiving adequate care from their family dentists. Isolated cases involving financial hardship can be handled through the Welfare Department on recommendation of the school nurses.

The operation of the Town Dump adjacent to Grassy Hollow has been a source of annoyance to people living in the immediate area, namely because of smoke and odor from fires which are lighted by people who use the dump. To relieve the nuisance, the Board of Health is providing in its budget for proper supervision of the dump while it is open. In order to hold the cost down to a reasonable figure it will be necessary to keep the dump

open only during specified hours on a schedule which is being worked out and which we plan to make convenient for the majority of the people.

Effective August 1, 1962 the Selectmen appointed Joseph A. Reilly as accountant for the town. Mr. Reilly has proved to be a fortunate choice, most conscientious and competent in this new position. In order to give this long-needed position official stature we, together with the Finance Committee, are recommending that the town vote, at the Annual Meeting to accept the section of the General Laws which permits the Selectmen to appoint an official Town Accountant who will then have certain powers, duties, and responsibilities as spelled out by the General Laws.

In May, 1962 the Selectmen appointed a Transmission Line Committee, with Edward H. Godfrey as chairman to spearhead the town's opposition to the installation of a 345,000 volt transmission line on a 250 foot wide right-of-way through the center of the town, north and south, in the general vicinity of Stony Hill Road as proposed by the Western Massachusetts Electric Company. Opposition was based on the adverse effect such a line would have on property values both on the actual property to be taken and on potentially valuable adjoining property. The tremendous opposition by the townspeople to this proposal was indicated by well over 2,000 names on a petition circulated by the Committee and by the turnout of 500 people at a hearing conducted by the Public Utilities Commission on July 31 at Stony Hill School dealing with the question of the public necessity for the proposed line. Attorney Frederick S. Pillsbury was engaged to represent the town at this hearing. The decision of the Commission has just been received and is in favor of the utility company. What further action the town will take has not not yet been determined.

At the Special Town Meeting on June 18, 1962 a motion to approve in principle the development in the future of a Village Green in Wilbraham Center substantially as recommended by the Center Development Study Committee was defeated. Such action is not, of course, binding on future town meetings and the Selectmen are convinced that the possibility of expanding Crane Park into a more typical town common or village green as a long-range project to be accomplished step by step as opportunities present themselves, is too worthwhile to be permanently forgotten. With an ultimate goal in mind, each specific step should be

considered strictly on its own merits in the light of conditions prevailing at that time.

Technical Planning Associates who have been engaged to work on a Master Plan for the town have projected figures which indicate that Wilbraham may reach a population of 25,000 in the foreseeable future. Before it is too late, the town must reserve space in a suitable setting for future town buildings such as a Town Hall and Library. Furthermore, a future population in that range makes obvious the future need for additional neighborhood shopping facilities. With that many people using the main streets just to get from one place to another, to churches, to schools, to work, etc., it would seem logical to divert the traffic and parking for strictly shopping purposes away from the main streets. For this reason we favor the rezoning of a new area for neighborhood shopping off of Main Street where a safe flow of traffic and adequate parking could be provided. At the same time, and for the same reasons, we firmly believe that no extension of the neighborhood shopping area should be made on Main Street. We are at a point now when an important decision must be made. Instead of temporary expedients, we must seek long range community benefit through the exercise of objective planning and take actions now which will not later have to be changed with difficulty but which will be sound for the future.

In closing, we wish to acknowledge the debt which the town owes to the many individuals who devote so much time and energy to making Wilbraham a better place in which to live.

Richard L. Danforth, *Chairman*
Roger T. Hintze
Jesse L. Rice

Report of the Wilbraham School Committee

The School Committee, elected by the voters of this community, represents the citizens of Wilbraham in determining the annual educational expenditures and the academic program provided for your children. As a policy-making body, your committee determines a reasonable balance between desirable educational practices and the ability of the community to meet the costs.

This committee welcomes the opportunity to report on its

stewardship of public funds and its attention to the educational responsibilities of the Wilbraham Public Schools in 1962.

In appraising the work accomplished and establishing goals for the next fiscal and calendar year, the committee has attempted to develop budgets and academic programs consistent with the needs and the desires of this community. In this area, certain basic problems must be considered; problems facing this committee, not necessarily in the order of magnitude, are:

A. Increasing pupil enrollment
B. Changing educational programs and requirements
C. State-required pupil service programs
D. Continued inflation in the cost of supplies and services

The first item — increasing pupil enrollment — can best be demonstrated by the following table:

WILBRAHAM PUPILS ENROLLED IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS — a 12 year record of growth

Year as of October 1st	Grades 1-6	Grades 7-8	Grades 9-12	Total
1950	367	62	120	549
1955	723	186	222	1,131
1960	954	328	391	1,673
1962	1,120	309	508	1,937

It is not only the continued increase, but the acceleration in the rate of increase, that indicates a continuing problem here.

Changing educational programs and requirements can best be demonstrated by indicating those areas of the program needing continued expansion and development as the trend towards more specialized preparation achieves acceptance. Science, modern foreign languages, and mathematics are requiring more time and greater effort in the elementary grades. Accelerated classes and a broadening of the basic knowledge subjects, skills, and techniques are necessary at all grade levels. Ability grouping, with the required testing, evaluation, and placement of students, requires more man hours and a higher degree of teaching ability than does the non-grouped plan of scheduling classes.

Legislative action by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has, over the past five years, substantially increased the duties

and responsibilities of the local school committees. The original requirement that a community with ten or more school age pupils who are more than three years retarded must open a special class, has been expanded to require special classes for the educable mentally retarded, the trainable mentally retarded, and the custodial mentally retarded, whenever there are five pupils of school age so classified in a community. Additional classes are required for various classifications of physically handicapped pupils. Testing, classifying, and placement of mentally retarded and physically handicapped pupils requires trained specialists and trained teachers. Requirements for the establishment of classes for emotionally disturbed children are now under study. Classes in speech and hearing therapy, services of a school adjustment counsellor, and employment of a school psychologist, are all included in the present pupil service program of the Wilbraham schools. While the Commonwealth of Massachusetts reimburses up to one half the cost of these programs, the total amount to be expended must be included in the annual school budget since all state reimbursements are paid directly to the town treasury.

The final problem of the four listed for consideration, is the continued inflation in the cost of materials and services. A single example can indicate the intense pressure that inflation places on the cost of education. In 1950, the teachers' salary schedule in Wilbraham provided a $2,300 starting salary for an inexperienced teacher with a Bachelor's degree. The 1963 Wilbraham budget provides a teacher salary schedule minimum of $4,700 (an increase of 104% in 13 years.) The present Wilbraham salary minimum ranks with the state minimum and area competition as it did in 1950. In summary, then, the 1962 budget expenditures and the 1963 budget estimate must be analyzed with an understanding of the problems facing the school committee, and a realization of the increased costs facing the community as a result of increased pupil enrollment, change in educational needs, state-required pupil services, and continued inflationary pressures.

The annual school operating and maintenance budget is a carefully prepared estimate of the funds needed to carry out the policy decisions of the school committee. In order more fully to inform the voters of the school committee stewardship of available funds, the report of this year includes the following analysis of the 1962 budget estimate, the 1962 actual expenditures, and the 1963 budget estimate.

1963 BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS

Account	1962 Budget	1962 Expenditure	1962 Balance	1963 Budget
Exp. of School Committee	240.00	197.81	+ 42.19	255.00
Superintendent's Salary	9,750.00	9,750.00	.00	10,150.00
Business Office Expense	9,839.00	9,510.17	+ 328.83	10,252.00
Out-of-State Travel	.00	.00	.00	80.00
Supervisors' Salaries	21,289.00	21,207.73	+ 81.27	21,410.00
Principals' Salaries	20,335.00	20,335.67	— .67	27,024.00
Exp. of Principalship	10,880.00	10,352.73	+ 527.27	13,238.00
Teachers' Salaries	359,293.00	352,032.97	+7,260.03	397,627.00
Textbooks	11,190.00	12,066.62	— 876.62	9,591.00
Exp. of Instr., Supplies	13,606.00	15,997.62	—2,391.62	14,814.00
Custodians' Salaries	30,707.00	32,386.38	—1,679.38	34,622.00
Fuel	13,280.00	10,277.67	+3,002.33	14,230.00
Exp. of Operation, Misc.	16,425.00	15,122.17	+1,302.83	17,775.00
Repairs & Replacements	7,320.00	13,923.73	—6,603.73	10,575.00
Health	6,418.00	6,085.97	+ 332.03	6,649.00
Transportation	57,448.00	56,199.36	+1,248.64	64,852.00
Tuition	14,188.00	11,650.33	+2,537.67	20,250.00
Misc. Auxiliary	4,635.00	2,578.07	+2,056.93	4,946.00
New Equipment	1,600.00	1,552.94	+ 47.06	3,740.00
Total	608,443.00	601,227.94	+7,215.06	682,080.00
Less:				
Available P. L. 874	13,000.00	5,784.94	+7,215.06	21,000.00
Amount to appropriate	595,443.00			
Community Program	6,000.00	5,821.73	+ 178.27	6,000.00

1962 BUDGET

	Salaries	Others	Total
1962 Appropriation	$460,371.00	$135,072.00	$595,443.00
1962 P. L. 874	6,000.00	7,000.00	13,000.00
1962 Budget	$466,371.00	$142,072.00	$608,443.00
Community Program	$ 4,500.00	$ 1,500.00	$ 6,000.00

1962 EXPENDITURES

	Salaries	Others	Total
1962 Appropriation	$457,260.83	$138,182.17	$595,443.00
1962 P. L. 874	1,143.15	4,641.79	5,784.94
Total Expenditures	$458,403.98	$142,823.96	$601,227.94
Community Program	$ 4,484.92	$ 1,336.81	$ 5,821.73

1963 BUDGET

	Salaries	Others	Out-of-state Travel	Total
1963 Appropriation	$507,816.00	$153,184.00	$80.00	$661,080.00
1963 P. L. 874	10,000.00	11,000.00	—	21,000.00
1963 Budget	$517,816.00	$164,184.00	$80.00	$682,080.00
Community Program	$ 4,500.00	$ 1,500.00		$ 6,000.00

An examination of the 1962 budget estimate, 1962 expenditures, and 1962 year-end account balances, reaffirms the School Committee's decision to recommend to the voters a total appropriation amount for the 1963 budget. As evidenced by the over and under expenditures by accounts in the 1962 budget, the committee must have flexibility within the amount appropriated if an effective academic program and efficient business operation is to be continued.

In the fall of 1961, the 1962 budget estimates were developed and were, at that time, reasonable forecasts of the amounts needed. As shown in the year-end account balances, emergencies developed during the year.

1. Teachers' Salaries (plus $7,260.03) — One planned-for teacher was not employed when enrollment in the Special Class was reduced. Vacancies were filled with less experienced personnel. Sick leave absences were below estimates.
2. Supplies, Instructional (minus $2,391.62) — Additional pupils were enrolled, a general increase in costs, and some advanced purchase of workbooks were needed for January and February.

3. Custodial Salaries (minus $1,679.38) — Additional hours were involved in opening the Pines School addition and in the major repairs made. Part time help was employed to replace Mr. Farnham, who served as clerk-of-works on the Stony Hill roof.
4. Fuel (plus $3,002.33) — A below average degree day requirement occurred, and there was an inexperience in estimating the needs of the Pines School addition.
5. Expense of Operation (plus $1,302.83) — The Pines School was well supplied with maintenance materials by the Building Committee. Supplies and materials are ordered as needed; electric and water bills are paid as billed.
6. Repairs (minus $6,603.73) — Major unanticipated expenditures were: the Stony Hill drive, $2,328; boilers at Memorial and Stony Hill, $1,843; plumbing, $528; thermostat control system, $485; electrical work, $1,080; septic field and tank, $875; window sash and frame repairs, $225; Memorial auditorium window drapes, $620.
7. Transportation (plus $1,248.64) — Adjustments in routes resulted in more efficient utilization of buses. Transportation of Cathedral pupils outside the Town of Wilbraham is paid for by students being served.
8. Tuition (plus $2,537.67) — There was a drop-out of Trade School pupils and an inability to exactly predict the number who will decide to attend Trade High School.

It has been, and shall continue to be, the policy of this School Committee to develop and present to the voters of Wilbraham, a budget designed to provide an above-average education for the pupils. Accurate and detailed records of all expenditures will continue to be maintained, and every effort will be made to conduct an efficient and economical business operation.

As recorded earlier in this report, all funds expended by the School Committee, with the exception of Federal grants and the hot lunch self-supporting program, are appropriated by the voters at town meeting even though in several accounts, substantial state aid is received by the Town Treasurer. The requirement that total expenditures must be budgeted and voted tends to produce an inflated school cost picture. The following table, listing credits from the Commonwealth, shows the net cost of the Wilbraham Public Schools.

1963 BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS

CREDITS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH

	1962 Estimate	1962 Actual	1963 Estimates
Chapter 71, Section 7A (Transportation)	$ 34,000.00	$ 38,586.64	$ 38,000.00
Chapter 70, Section A	75,556.00	75,556.93	87,971.00
Vocational	6,000.00	6,417.56	6,500.00
State Wards	2,800.00	578.00	300.00
School Adjustment Counsellor	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
Special Class	6,500.00	8,967.56	7,000.00
Chapter 70, Section 3B (Regional)	11,333.00	11,333.54	13,195.00
Total	$139,789.00	$145,040.23	$156,566.00
Operating Budgets	$608,443.00	$601,227.94	$682,080.00
Less: Credits	139,789.00	145,040.23	156,566.00
Net Cost to Wilbraham	$468,654.00	$456,187.71	$525,514.00

In the school statistics appearing at the end of this report, the projected long term increase in pupil enrollment is evident. The Wilbraham Public School system will continue to need three or four new classrooms annually through 1968, the limit to which enrollment projections based on births, can be formulated.

The Pines School addition of twelve classrooms and auxiliary facilities has provided the necessary space for the present and for the 1963-1964 school year. In addition to providing necessary classrooms, this addition has up-graded the facilities and the educational program in this building so that equal educational opportunity is provided in all of the Wilbraham schools.

The School Committee has worked closely with the 1962 School Building Committee and supports its decision to recommend the construction of a twelve-classroom single story elementary school on South Main Street, adjacent to the Regional High School. This proposed school will be in the area of greatest projected pupil increase, and will be needed by September, 1964.

Over the past four years, difficulties have been experienced with a leaking roof in the Stony Hill addition. In June, 1962, a special town meeting appropriated $14,000 and authorized the School Committee to correct the situation. Through the

efforts of Mr. Harry Dabagian, a registered engineer and member of this committee, Town Counsel W. Edwin Watkins, and Archibald MacNeish, engineer, the Carl Fisher Company replaced the roof on all sections of the building addition. At the time the roof was being repaired, the committee upgraded the specifications of the roof surface to provide for a four-ply, twenty-year roof with provisions for venting the air spaces above the ceilings. These improvements, recommended by the engineer, cost $2,875.00, and should result in a long-term saving to the community. Legal costs amounted to $400. leaving an unexpended balance of $10,725. which was returned to the Town Treasurer. Mr. Thomas Farnham and Mr. Henry Hyde, school custodians, served as inspectors while the work was in progress, repaired the water-damaged interior of the building with new ceiling tiles, and repainted the walls.

One of the most difficult and complex phases of the business operation of the Wilbraham Schools is scheduling the safe and efficient daily transportation of pupils to and from school. Pupil transportation, as required by law, is contracted for on a three-year basis. Although contract bids are based on a mileage rate, the determining factor in efficiency of operation is the utilization of equipment for the effective offsetting of fixed charges (depreciation, insurance, etc.). This can only be accomplished by maximum use of the vehicle. The Wilbraham School Committee joins with the District School Committee when preparing transportation bids to insure maximum efficiency of operation. At present, fourteen school buses, running 768 miles a day, cover 89 separate routes and transport 1,882 Wilbraham pupils to and from the local schools, Minnechaug High School, Wilbraham Academy, Springfield Trade High School, Cathedral High School, and to the town line adjacent to the School of the Immaculate Conception in Indian Orchard. Transportation of pupils to Cathedral High School is paid for by the parents of students being transported. As indicated in the table of credits from the Commonwealth, over half of the transportation expenditure is reimbursed by the state.

The Wilbraham School Committee, after careful study and review of reliable statistics, believes that its policy of providing maximum educational opportunity for all pupils can best be advanced by using ability grouping within the various grade

levels. Repeated studies, with favorable results here and on a national basis, have shown that when pupils of like abilities and aptitudes are grouped together for instructional purposes, greater total educational gain is obtained; for this reason, multiple sections of a single grade level have been scheduled in each school. The use of ability grouping will be continued.

Districting, or the division of the community into areas for school attendance purposes, has never been accomplished to the complete satisfaction of the citizens of Wilbraham. The 1961 committee report on page 16 of the 1961 Annual Town Report, detailed the governing policy on districting.

Because of the absence of a set pattern for the number of pupils of any age level in any one area of the community, and because of the need to equalize classroom loads and economically utilize facilities and transportation, the assignment of pupils to a designated school tends to disrupt otherwise normal associations of pupils.

In September, 1962, all pupils in grades 1-5 were assigned to the Stony Hill and Pines Schools with one districting line applying to all five grades. Grades 6, 7, and 8 were enrolled at Memorial School. This districting provided for the desired ability grouping at all grade levels, equalization of classroom loads and facilities use, and efficient transportation scheduling. The same plan is anticipated for the 1963-1964 school year. With the opening of a new elementary school on South Main Street in September, 1964, a revision will be necessary in all phases of districting and transportation.

As in many of the past years, the committee has spent a substantial portion of its meeting time in consideration of the question of salary schedules. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has established a $4,500 minimum on teachers' salaries effective January 1, 1963. In order to remain competitive with other communities in the area and recruit and retain above-average teachers, the committee has raised the Wilbraham salary by $200. effective September 1, 1963, and will have a minimum salary of $4,700. A salary step adjustment has been voted for clerical, custodial, health, and cafeteria personnel in recognition of their value to the school program as well as the increased cost of living.

The committee, with pride in achievement, calls to your at-

tention the professional preparation and accumulative experience of the teaching staff and school employees as indicated in the listing of employees at the end of this report. There has been a continued upgrading in depth of preparation and breadth of experience in the background of our staff. To continue to develop and maintain a better than average school system, we need to recruit and retain individuals of this type.

The committee expresses the regrets of the community at the resignation of Mrs. Margaret Williams, a member of the School Committee since 1958, due to relocation outside the area. Mrs. Williams has always faced each problem and challenge of her assignment with enthusiasm and the desire to develop a better school system.

In conclusion, the committee wishes to thank those individuals, appointed and elected, who have served this community so well in the difficult problems of providing for the education of youth.

Alexander W. Marco, *Chairman*
Ethel M. Musselman
Harry Dabagian
Bruce A. Stephens
Clayton L. Thomas

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Enrollment

The enrollment of pupils by grade as of October 1, 1962 is shown below:

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Spec.	Total
Stony Hill	103	110	118	116	113					560
Memorial						165	146	147	16	474
Pines	87	83	80	80	65					395
Total	190	193	198	196	178	165	146	147	16	1429

Census Report and Comparison October 1, 1962

Year Born	Year to Enter School	Census 1962	1961	1960	1959	1958
1956	1962	195	179	175	156	156
1957	1963	173	163	157	154	137
1958	1964	189	185	162	139	89*
1959	1965	162	145	127	84*	
1960	1966	181	152	112*		
1961	1967	138	89*			
1962	1968	79*				

* 9/12 of year recorded

Children in School Census and Their Distribution October 1, 1962

	5-7 Years	7-16 Years	Total
Boys	212	828	1040
Girls	232	735	967
Total	444	1563	2007
Distribution			
In Public Schools	243	1403	1646
In Vocational Schools	—	7	7
In Private Schools	16	144	160
Not enrolled in any school	185	9	194
	444	1563	2007
Total on October 1, 1961	361	1523	1884

Number of Pupils in Elementary Schools by Grades
Five Year Period 1957-1962

As of October of each year

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Spec.	Total
1957	132	122	126	130	148	112	105	91	100	13	1079
1958	148	136	126	126	133	147	122	104	92	19	1153
1959	172	162	140	123	143	133	170	101	*	23	1167
1960	186	185	167	151	129	136	148	157	*	23	1282
1961	186	187	184	175	156	141	149	138	*	17	1333
1962	190	193	198	196	178	165	146	147	*	16	1429

* Grade 9 now at Minnechaug High School

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1962-1963

First Term: Wednesday, September 5 through Friday, December 21

Second Term: Wednesday, January 2 through Friday, February 15

Third Term: Monday, February 25 through Friday, April 11

Fourth Term: Monday, April 22 through Friday, June 21

School will close on all legal holidays, Friday, October 19, Hampden County Teachers' Convention, and Friday, April 12, Good Friday. Schools will close at noon on November 21 for Thanksgiving.

The Wilbraham School Committee schedules regular meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Special meetings are scheduled as required, and all meetings are open to the public.

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Office:			
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1950	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdett College
Joann L. LedDuke	Bookkeeper	1957	
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
Stony Hill School:			
Alan J. Rubin	Principal	1955	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Ruth Fay	Secretary	1962	
Gina Frangie	Grade 5	1954	B.A., M.Ed., American International College; Springfield College
Amelia S. Riley	Grade 5	1957	B.S., State College at Worcester
Eleanor Fink	Grade 5	1962	B.S., Boston University
Alice Kozlowski	Grade 5	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Alice F. Foley	Grade 4	1955	State College at Westfield
Elizabeth C. Benson	Grade 4	1959	B.S., State College at Westfield
Mildred Powell	Grade 4	1960	B.S., Univ. of Nebraska; Univ. of Mass.
Virginia Sternberg	Grade 4	1961	B.S., American International College
Therese Dowd	Grade 3	1957	A.B., Our Lady of the Elms College
Charlotte Prochnow	Grade 3	1957	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Bridgewater; Springfield College
Adele Kochanek	Grade 3	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Sharon Kelly	Grade 3	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Marion L. Holland	Grade 2	1922	Springfield Teachers College
Valerie Lundberg	Grade 2	1961	B.S., Springfield College
Judith L. Backus	Grade 2	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Madeleine Martin	Grade 2	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield

Madeline Harrington	Grade 1	1952	B.S., M.S., University of Massachusetts
Joanne S. Ewig	Grade 1	1955	B.S., Skidmore College
Stella Mondoux	Grade 1	1958	B.S., State College at Westfield
Mildred Lockwood	Grade 1	1959	B.S., State College at Westfield
Henry Hyde	Custodian	1954	
Thomas W. Farnham	Custodian	1958	
Ella Lindsay	Cook	1957	
Isabella Rollins	Cook	1953	
Yvette Damoulakis	Cook	1961	
Helen Los	Cook	1962	
The Pines School:			
Helen S. Strauss	Principal	1930	B.S., M.S., Columbia; Springfield College
Patricia Frydryk	Secretary	1961	
Ruth C. Hood	Grade 5	1959	B.S., Teachers College, Danbury, Conn.
Charles Lockwood	Grade 5	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Marjorie Befford	Grade 4	1958	State Teachers College at Fitchburg
Evelyn Salisbury	Grade 4	1961	B.A., University of New Hampshire
Virginia M. Popp	Grade 4	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Emma B. Habin	Grade 3	1960	B.S., State College at Westfield
Judith Murphy	Grade 3	1962	B.S., Russell Sage, New York
Paula Coonan	Grade 3	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Rosemary Birtwell	Grade 2	1961	B.A., State College at Westfield
Jean Podgorski	Grade 2	1962	B.S., American International College
Nancy Rico	Grade 2	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Clara B. Merrill	Grade 2	1944	Farmington State College
Mary Johnston	Grade 1	1950	State College at Westfield
Ruth Geigel	Grade 1	1961	B.S., Rutgers University
Catherine Alaimo	Grade 1	1961	B.A., Our Lady of the Elms College
Michael Pyzocha	Custodian	1954	
Mitchell Misiaszek	Custodian	1961	

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Emily Bready	Cook	1960	
Julia Dougal	Cook	1952	
Jean Lajzer	Cook	1960	
Evelyn Dabrowski	Cook	1962	
Memorial School:			
Richard J. Curry	Principal	1954	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Richard S. Ullery, Jr.	Guidance	1958	B.A., M.Ed., American International Col.
Florence LeVan	Secretary	1956	
Marion Castaldini	Secretary	1956	
Muriel Boyce	Junior High	1960	B.A., M.Ed., State College at Framingham; Boston University
A. Louise Bradley	Junior High	1952	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Charles T. Coolong	Junior High	1958	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Audrey Dabagian	Junior High	1961	B.S., Douglas College
Marion Didrikson	Junior High	1959	B.B.A., American International College
Robert P. Garvey	Junior High	1955	B.A., M.A., St. Anselm's; American International College
Rosemarie Gill	Junior High	1960	B.S., Salem Teachers College
Ruth W. Herter	Junior High	1959	B.A.E., Rhode Island School of Design
Kenneth H. Hultstrom	Junior High	1961	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Ruth S. Johnson	Junior High	1961	B.A., Oberlin College
Paul E. Pesce	Junior High	1960	B.S., State College at Salem
James Rafferty	Junior High	1957	B.B.A., University of Massachusetts
Julia Rosenbeck	Junior High	1954	B.A., Springfield College
Cleone Smith	Junior High	1959	A.B., Middlebury College
Irene Walinski	Junior High	1957	A.B., M.Ed., College of Our Lady of the Elms; Springfield College

Joseph Zych, Jr.	Junior High	1958	B.S., Springfield College
Thomas Lennon	Grade 6	1958	B.S., American International College
Doris Kline	Grade 6	1960	B.S., M.Ed., Simmons College
Frank Marshall	Grade 6	1958	B.S., Springfield College
William Kozlowski	Grade 6	1957	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
Gordon S. Bates	Grade 6,	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College
Elisabeth Barnes	Grade 6	1962	B.A., University of Mass.
John Polaczak	Head Custodian	1949	
John Wnuk	Custodian	1959	
John Nordin	Custodian	1962	
Emma Chamberlin	Cook	1956	
Charlotte Babineau	Cook	1960	
Eva Cloutier	Cook	1958	
Marjorie Goewey	Cook	1960	
Supervisors and Special Subject Teachers:			
Ruth G. Backus	Elementary Supervisor	1953	State College at Framingham
Bruce C. Kurtz	Physical Education	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Millicent G. Green	Handwriting	1938	State College at North Adams
Marguerite G. Brady	Librarian	1942	Perry Normal
Esther Johnson	Music	1949	State College at Westfield
Marion H. McKinstry	Art	1956	Massachusetts School of Art
Margaret M. Kiely	Adjustment Counsellor	1959	B.A., M.Ed., American International College; Springfield College
Merilis Scott	School Psychologist	1960	B.S., M.S., Fitchburg; Springfield College
May Jenkins	Manager, Hot Lunch	1950	
Health:			
Janet M. Horacek	Nurse	1954	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Arthur Goodwin	Doctor	1947	M.D., Tufts
George H. Nieske	Dentist	1959	D.M.D., University of Maryland

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Name	Year Appointed
Transportation:	
George W. Motyka	1932
Florence Butler	1962
Homer Goodrich	1962
Paul Douillard	1962

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Mary E. Moody, teacher, leave of absence, resigned, September 12, 1962
James E. Tremble, teacher, Military leave of absence, effective September 1, 1962
Sara A. Skalla, teacher, resigned, April 24, 1962
Anne T. Paulhus, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Sally A. Misuraca, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Annamae Martin, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Ruth Lesser, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Richard MacGillivray, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
John Ault, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Sharon C. Kelly, teacher, resigned, December 21, 1962
Mildred Cotter, cook, resigned, June 30, 1962

Report of the 1962 School Building Committee

At the special town meeting held September 10, 1962, the selectmen were authorized to appoint a School Building Committee with power and authority to enter into a contract for preparation of preliminary and final plans and specifications and to secure bids for a 12-room elementary school on the Heiden parcel of land on Main Street, in addition to any and all other normal powers and duties of a School Building Committee, and to fill any vacancies that may occur in said Committee.

The creation of a School Building Committee with authority to employ an architect and secure bids for an elementary school was recommended to the special town meeting by the 1962 School Survey Committee.

The Survey Committee, named by the selectmen on January 5, 1962, had completed its assigned duties by:

A. Studying facilities and enrollment and determining a need

B. Securing approval from the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission of its needs, surveys and plans

C. Recommending the location of the proposed school and securing the purchase of the Heiden site on South Main Street at the June 18, 1962 Special Town Meeting.

D. Recommending the appointment of a School Building Committee.

At the September 10, 1962 Special Town Meeting, the Building Committee was directed to investigate thoroughly the cost differential between a one- and a two-story school building and to present a report to the citizens of the community at a public hearing before final bids on the new building were secured.

On November 19, 1962, the 1962 School Building Committee presented to a public hearing at Memorial School, detailed plans of a twelve classroom school to be located on the Heiden site on South Main Street.

Two complete sets of plans and detailed cost figures covering a one-story and a two-story building were shown.

The interesting fact developed was that although it would cost less per square foot to build a two-story building than a one-story building, the additional square feet required by law in a two-story building, stair wells, wider corridors, and duplicate facilities, did result in a higher total cost for the same 12 classrooms

and auxiliary facilities when packaged as a two-story school plant. See following table of costs:

COMPARISON OF ESTIMATED COSTS

		1 Story	2 Story
Construction		$434,663.00	$470,113.00
Site		90,680.00	90,680.00
Architect-Engineer Fees		39,400.00	42,000.00
Equipment		35,000.00	36,000.00
Contingencies		25,000.00	25,000.00
Land		18,700.00	18,700.00
Total		$643,443.00	$682,493.00
Previously Appropriated:			
Planning	$23,000.00		
Land	18,700.00	41,700.00	41,700.00
		$601,743.00	$640,793.00

Following a lengthy question and answer period, the hearing, by a nearly unanimous indication of approval, supported the Building Committee decision to secure final bids on a one-story elementary school.

The Building Committee is completing final arrangements to secure approval of the plans by the Massachusetts Department of Public Safety, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, and the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission. Final plans and specifications have been approved by the Building Committee, and construction bids will be received, studied and tabulated for presentation to the voters at the 1963 annual Town Meeting. At the annual meeting, the voters will be asked to provide the funds necessary to construct and equip this school. Based on favorable action by the voters, construction will start early in April of 1963, and the building will be ready for pupil occupancy in September of 1964.

DORRANCE T. GREEN, *Chairman*
FRED T. GOOGINS
MRS. ETHEL M. MUSSELMAN
MRS. DORIS C. BOWMAN
ANDREW G. DUZSIK
EDWIN M. OSGOOD
FREDERICK B. SEEL
LARRY D. LEWIS

Pines School Addition Building Committee Report

With the open house and public inspection of the Pines School Addition on July 31, 1962, this project was accepted as substantially completed.

The school committee was authorized to move in equipment and prepare the building for pupil use in September. The Building Committee is satisfied with the plans and specifications as prepared by Alderman & MacNeish, Architect and Engineer, and with the high quality of construction performed by C. J. Driscoll Co., General Contractor.

As reported in the 1961 annual report, this committee will complete the construction and equipping of the Pines School Addition within the appropriated amount. A final accounting will be completed when retained payments for fulfillment of guarantees have been paid and final certification to the state is completed.

During the late summer, Mr. Michael F. X. Gigliotti, Committee Chairman, and Mr. Robert P. Whittier, committee member, resigned from the committee when they were relocated outside the state, and because of business reasons. Their excellent background training and experience in the areas of construction and financing were major factors in the planning, development, and completion of this school building project.

The Building Committee expresses the appreciation of the citizens and youth of this community for the contribution these men have made.

IRVING H. AGARD, *Secretary*
ALLAN A. CAMPBELL
DORRANCE T. GREEN
FRED T. GOOGINS
MRS. BYRON I. MUSSELMAN
ANGELO C. PESSOLANO

Report of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee

The 1961 report of the District Committee contained statistics on the first graduating class from Minnechaug High School. At that time, strong emphasis was placed on the fact that the figures shown represented a single graduating class, and therefore could not be considered an accurate measure of the success of this high school.

A year later, with a second class graduated, it is again necessary to repeat that the figures available are not large enough to predict a trend accurately. Only after the number of Minnechaug graduates exceeds one thousand, and a substantial number of graduates complete post-secondary educational efforts and become established in gainful employment, can a reliable assessment

of the school's program be made. Members of the 1962 graduating class are now engaged as follows:

4 year colleges	44
2 year colleges	11
3 year nursing schools	4
Practical nursing	1
Technical and vocational schools	11
Employed	19
Military service	7
Married	2
Status unknown	5
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Combining the first and second graduating classes, the following totals develop:

4 year colleges	92
2 year colleges	25
3 year nursing schools	9
Practical nursing	4
Technical and vocational schools	17
Employed	35
Military service	13
Married	4
Status unknown	8
Total graduates from two classes	207

In summary, 44% of the graduates of the two classes are in four year degree-granting colleges; over 60% are in four year colleges, two year colleges, and schools of nursing; approximately 17% are gainfully employed. As reported last year, these percentages are substantially higher in the first three categories than are the Massachusetts or national averages. These results are both reasonable and expected, based on the socio-economic level of the citizens of this district.

Minnechaug, a comprehensive public high school, is charged by law and by the vote of the citizens with providing an educational opportunity for all the youth of the district. The curriculum is tailored to meet the needs and stimulate the abilities of the individual. Each student, whether endowed with the mentality and possessing the initiative successfully to master advanced degree areas of specialization, or one who terminates formal education at or shortly after graduation from high school, must find at Minnechaug the education he needs to develop into a pro-

ductive and useful citizen. For those pupils, earlier identified as having the interests and aptitudes to complete successfully a specialized vocational program, Springfield Trade High School provides an excellent opportunity. This school, drawing students from throughout the western area of Massachusetts, is able to provide economically the specialized instructors and equipment required to develop saleable vocational skills.

A careful study of the cumulative records of the graduating students, a continued evaluation of the academic aptitudes of the students of the district, and a constant appraisal of employment opportunities and labor market requirements of today and the future — all these are necessary to guide the evolutionary changes of the school curriculum intelligently.

Not all of the pupils attending Minnechaug High School can, or should plan to, attend a four year degree-granting college or university. Few, if any, of the pupils should terminate their formal education with a high school diploma. There are ample opportunities for additional training and development of specialized skills in the many two year colleges, technical schools, and specialized institutions. We need a realistic appraisal of the ability, attitude, and aptitude of each student by the school, the parents, and the individual himself, to arrive at the appropriate post-high school placement for each pupil.

The long term success of Minnechaug High School will be determined by the quality of the teaching staff. It has been the policy of this committee, since 1958 when the first staff selections were made, to recruit outstanding personnel, require above average performance from each individual, and retain in the employ of the district only those persons who are able and willing to provide the necessary intellectual stimulation, pupil motivation, and disciplinary control that is required to insure maximum growth and achievement. Such teachers are difficult to recruit and retain.

Combined with the determination to provide a sound educational program and employ competent staff members is the practical realization that a competitive salary schedule must be maintained if we are to have an above-average educational program. The Massachusetts legislature has established the minimum salary for teachers as $4,500, effective January 1, 1963.

In 1962, a starting salary of $4,500 — $500 above the state minimum — gave this district a competitive advantage and se-

cured the services of above-average teachers. To retain its competitive position in employing staff members, the committee has increased the salary schedule by $200, effective September 1, 1963. This decision was reached after four months of intensive study and is, your committee believes, a realistic and necessary step to insure the continuation of the present level of education.

Textbooks, supplies, and instructional materials have been and will be provided in reasonable amounts for efficient employment of teacher capabilities and pupil needs. With approximately 70% of the total per pupil cost of education expended for salaries, supplies must be available if the district is to receive a fair return on its investment in teaching salaries.

As pointed out in detail in the 1961 committee report, the enrollment at Minnechaug is approaching the planned capacity of the physical plant. In 1956, when the Regional District Planning Committee proposed the organization of this Regional School District and secured approval from the voters for the construction of Minnechaug High School, pre-school census reports, enrollment figures, and the rapid growth of this area as a desirable residential community forecast the need for additional space by 1965. Annual review and correction of the enrollment forecast has proven the validity of the earlier projections.

Utilizing all present facilities at Minnechaug High School, we have a capacity of approximately 675 pupils. The actual capacity of a comprehensive high school is, to a substantial degree, determined by the course of studies provided for the pupils. At Minnechaug, where advanced classes are scheduled in foreign languages, business education, and practical arts, where honors courses are provided in mathematics, English, chemistry, history, and biology, and where pupils are individually tested, counselled, and scheduled, we have a lesser degree of efficiency in utilization of facilities than is possible where a limited track program is offered.

If additional classroom facilities are not available in 1965, the committee will be faced with the difficult decision of either narrowing the academic program by eliminating the advanced and honors courses, or adjusting the school day and the schedule of pupil attendance to accommodate all the pupils in the available facilities.

Believing that the correct and desirable method of relieving the

imminent over-crowded condition in this high school is to add classrooms, your committee, over the past twelve months, has concentrated a substantial amount of its efforts on developing a practical and economical solution to the problem.

The enrollment projections, utilization of present facilities, and educational program have been studied by this committee. Joint meetings have been held with the Hampden School Survey Committee and the Wilbraham School Survey Committee, to assure a united approach in solving the needs for classroom facilities of the district. Six meetings were held by members of this committee with the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission in Boston, where all surveys and studies of this committee were reviewed and approved. This commission serves the communities and school districts of the state in the area of school-house construction by reviewing such basic factors as: enrollment, need, location, educational adequacy, preliminary plans, final plans, and financing. An addition to Minnechaug High School, as approved by this commission, would qualify for a state grant of sixty-five percent of the total cost of construction and equipment.

The Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission has accepted the school committee's decision that there is a need for twenty-two additional classrooms or teaching stations by September 1, 1965. These additional classrooms, with minor modifications in the present building, would provide a pupil capacity of approximately 1,100 pupils and an opportunity to maintain the present course of study and level of educational opportunity until after 1970.

The District Committee has employed the architectural and engineering firm of Alderman & MacNeish to conduct studies and prepare preliminary plans of the proposed addition. Beginning in the early spring of 1962, the committee has met on a regular basis to review preliminary plans and study the feasibility of possible designs. In November, following a detailed cost study of comparable single and two story plans, the committee directed the architect to concentrate on the more economical single story design. The forward timetable anticipates that approved preliminary plans will be completed for presentation to the voters of the district in the late spring of 1963. At that time, funds will be sought to enable the architect to complete final plans and

specifications, secure firm bids for the construction of the addition, and develop a final construction budget to present to the voters. With eighteen months being required to construct and equip this addition, approval of the project is needed by March of 1964 if the facility is to be ready for September, 1965.

Despite the apparent emphasis on budgetary and new facilities problems in this report, the major responsibility of this committee continues to be one of developing sound educational policies. As a policy-making board, the District Committee determines the quality of education and the operational efficiency desired, and then assigns to its selected administrative personnel, the translation of policy into results.

The committee is pleased with the professional growth and stability of its staff; 33% of the faculty possess an earned Master's degree, and 25% are presently engaged in additional degree-granting programs. In the three and one half years this school has been in operation, there has been a gratifying development of school tradition and a pride in academic achievement. Notable also are the increasing school spirit among the students and the loyalty of the staff to the organization.

In earlier annual reports, this committee has refrained from specifically commending any one individual in the organization, because essentially, the gains here are the result of a total team effort. This year, however, the committee wishes to commend Principal Lincoln A. Dexter for his educational leadership of this school. His educational alertness, intellectual interests, willingness to learn from others and benefit by his own mistakes, attention to organizational and operational details, and especially his patient and kindly interest in the problems of staff and students alike together with his sincere belief in the ultimate realization of each individual as a worthwhile member of society, are qualities of leadership that this committee recognizes as all-important for the continuation of a sound educational program.

Your committee solicits the support, suggestions, and comments of the citizens of the district and thanks you for the opportunity to serve you.

John R. Lyman, *Chairman*
Doris I. Bowman
Harry Dabagian
Donald E. Dickinson
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr.
Chester L. Thorndike, Jr.
Julia Winetrout

HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1962

Planning and Construction Budget	
Balance January 1, 1962	$21,746.59
Expenditures	4,042.56
Balance December 31, 1962	$17,704.03
Capital Cost Budget	
1962 Assessments to Towns	$110,546.09
1962 State Construction Grant	58,617.91
Total Available	$169,164.00
1962 Expenditures	164,669.45
To Surplus Revenue	$4,494.55
Operating Budget	
1962 Assessments to Towns	$354,515.40
1962 Offsetting Credits	83,648.60
	$438,164.00
1962 Expenditures	408,496.09
To Surplus Revenue	$29,667.91
Surplus Revenue Account	
Balance January 1, 1962	$39,175.46
Receipts, 1962	76,369.19
	$115,544.65
To 1963 Operating Budget, Credits	74,302.77
Balance January 1, 1963	$41,241.88

ASSESSMENT OF 1963 REVENUE

Capital Costs		
Debt Service — Capital Cost	$155,780.00	
1963 Credits, Construction Grant	64,541.11	
Capital Balance to Assess Towns		$91,238.89

Hampden 22.5% — $20,528.75; Wilbraham 77.5% — $70,710.14

Operating Budget		
Total Budget less Capital Costs	$490,027.00	
1962 Receipts, 1963 Credits	74,302.77	
Operating Balance to Assess Towns		$415,724.23

Pupils:	Hampden 132	Wilbraham 485	Total 617
Percentage:	Hampden 21.39	Wilbraham 78.61	Total 100
Assessment:	Hampden $88,923.41	Wilbraham $326,800.82	$415,724.23

TOTAL ASSESSMENTS TO HAMPDEN AND WILBRAHAM

	Capital	Operating	Total	¼ Payment
Hampden	$20,528.75	$88,923.41	$109,452.16	$27,363.04
Wilbraham	70,710.14	326,800.82	397,510.96	99,377.74

Assessments payable in four equal installments not later than the first day of April, June, September, and December.

PUPIL ENROLLMENT BY GRADE

October 1, 1962

Grade	Hampden	Monson	Wilbraham	Total
9	41		138	179
10	33	1	150	184
11	30		102	132
12	28	1	95	124
	132	2	485	619

1963 FINAL MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING BUDGET

No.	*Account*	*1963 Budget*
1.	General Control	$14,737.00
2.	Expense of Instruction	330,055.00
3.	Operation of Plant	53,846.00
4.	Maintenance of Plant	10,657.00
5.	Auxiliary Agency	14,984.00
6.	Outlay	7,522.00
7.	Debt Service	155,780.00
8.	Transportation	37,626.00
9.	Special Charges	18,600.00
10.	Temporary Borrowing	2,000.00
Total		$645,807.00

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
District Office:			
Joann LedDuke	District Treasurer	1961	
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1956	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Kenneth E. Johnson	Assistant Superintendent	1957	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdett College
Joann LedDuke	Secretary	1959	
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
High School Office:			
Lincoln A. Dexter	Principal	1961	B.S., M.Ed., Rhode Island State; State College at Worcester
Richard I. Trenholm	Assistant Principal and Social Studies	1960	B.A., M.A., Bates College; Boston Univ.
Charles B. Thompson	Guidance Director	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; University of New Hampshire
Peter Gartner	Guidance Counsellor	1959	A.B., Bates College
Marjorie Bean	Secretary	1960	
Silvia Peterson	Secretary	1961	
Teachers:			
Marilyn M. Ats	Languages	1961	B.A., University of Oklahoma
Donald G. Bamford	Mathematics	1959	B.S., University of Massachusetts
Charlotte Barry	English	1962	B.A., Our Lady of the Elms College, American International College
Carolyn E. Bjorn	English	1962	B.A., Eastern Baptist College

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Richard A. Brown	Sciences	1959	B.A., Bowdoin College
Patricia Cox	Speech Therapist	1960	B.A., M.Ed., Northwestern University; Boston University
Judith A. Cross	Home Economics	1961	B.A., Keene Teachers College
James DeWolf	Industrial Arts	1959	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Alf S. Ehnstrom, Jr.	Physical Education	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Delene Gifford	Physical Education	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Katherine Goulding	Home Economics	1961	B.S., State College at Framingham
Katharine Habig	Physical Education	1962	B.A., Smith College
Richard A. Hopkins	English	1962	A.B., Providence College
Marios Kacoyannakis	Social Studies	1962	B.A., American International College
Dwight D. Killam	Music	1959	B.Mus., M.Mus., Syracuse; Boston Univ.
Constance W. Kimberly	English	1961	B.A., American International College
William Michael Kober	Physical Education	1960	B.S., Springfield College
Dr. Gisela Koeppel	Languages	1962	Ph.D., University of Vienna
Edgar H. Law	Mathematics	1960	B.A., Trinity College, Hartford
Vivian Little	English	1959	A.B., M.A., Mount Holyoke; Hartford Seminary Foundation
Harold K. Miller	Mathematics	1959	B.S., Springfield College
John E. Moore	Industrial Arts	1959	B.S., Gorham State Teachers College
Paula Munkelt	Languages	1962	B.A., Hofstra College, New York
David L. Nass	Social Studies	1960	A.B., Brown University
John D. Peterson	Science	1962	B.A., American International College
Lee D. Post	Languages	1959	A.B., M.Ed., Mt. Holyoke College; Springfield College
George H. Robinson, Jr.	Mathematics	1959	B.S., M.Ed., University of Mass.; Springfield College

Laura S. Saunders	Librarian	1959	B.S., Simmons College
Donald G. Short	Music	1962	M.Music, Boston University
Mary E. Socha	Languages	1959	B.A., College of New Rochelle
Richard P. Spencer	English	1959	B.A., University of Massachusetts
James F. Starkie	Music	1959	B.S., State College at Lowell
Karl D. Sternberg	Mathematics and Science	1960	B.A., American International College
Jean M. Stuart	Business Education	1961	B.A., American International College
Sharon K. Swanson	Speech Therapist	1962	B.A., State University of Iowa
Christine C. Trenholm	Business Education	1959	Ac.S., B.S., Bay Path; A.I.C.
Joseph B. VanWest	Art	1959	B.S., Tufts; Dip., Sch. of M.S.A.
Helen Walinski	Mathematics	1959	A.B., M.Ed., Our Lady of the Elms; Springfield College
Doris V. Williams	Art	1961	B.S., M.A., Columbia; Springfield College
W. Fred H. Winey	Biology	1960	B.A., M.A., Washington and Jefferson; University of Massachusetts
Health:			
Arthur H. Goodwin	Doctor	1959	M.D., Tufts
Madeline Newsome	Nurse	1959	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Hot Lunch Program:			
May Jenkins	Manager	1959	
Nancy Clark	Cook	1961	
Leona Isham	Cook	1959	
Arlene Ross	Cook	1959	
Lucille Schieding	Cook	1959	
Marie Tupper	Cook	1962	
Patricia Anderson	Cook	1962	

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed
Custodians:		
Everett Pickens	Head Custodian	1959
Walter Polanczak		1959
Harold Rogers		1959
Stanley Strycharz		1959
Leon Superneau		1959
Transportation:		
George W. Motyka	Wilbraham	1959
Charles Walker	Hampden	1962

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Rosemary Athearn, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Barbara Broadbent, teacher, resigned, February 23, 1962
Leonard DeMaio, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Carol S. Hooper, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Alvin J. McNeil, teacher, resigned, March 20, 1962
Daphne Scourtis, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Judith A. Solomon, teacher, Leave of Absence, June 30, 1962 to June 30, 1963
Wallace Winchell, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1962
Ruth Scheibler, cook, resigned, October 26, 1962
Gladys Steup, cook, resigned, June 23, 1962
Stuart Hill, Transportation, June 30, 1962

Aid to Agriculture

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1962 Appropriation	$100.00
1961 Unexpended Balance	74.48
Total Available for 1962	$174.48
Total Expenditure in 1962	114.28
Total Available for 1963	$60.20
Recommended Appropriation for 1963	$150.00

AGRICULTURAL WORK

Several newly organized and definitely worthwhile programs are now available to all farmers as follows:

(1) *Dairy* — Forage testing as an aid to more efficient feeding.

(2) *Poultry* — Record keeping for improved management.

(3) *Potatoes and Vegetables* — Marketing improvement through better grading.

(4) *Fruit* — Effective insect and disease control and improved marketing.

(5) *Floriculture and Nursery Culture* — Improved marketing and merchandising and improved management as an aid to lower production costs.

County Agents in Hampden County assisted farmers in the programs listed above through meetings, circulars and individual farm visits throughout the year. The above listed programs received emphasis during the year. Requests for specific information available from agents at all times.

HOME DEPARTMENT WORK

During the year 42 different women attended 36 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 43 leaders assisted by the county agents and state specialists. There were 16 different projects during the year. The following leaders incurred expenses totaling $91.15: —

Mrs. Roland H. Bennett, Mrs. Clifford A. Bradway, Mrs. Donald Collins, Mrs. John E. Fynan, Mrs. James Gurecki, Mrs. George A. Lemieux, Mrs. Edward J. Luff, Mrs. Clifford Patric, Mrs. Richard L. Poulin, Mrs. Denny G. Richter, Jr., Mrs. Eugene Wessells, and Mrs. Roger Whitehill.

4-H CLUB WORK

During the year there were 85 boys and girls enrolled in 5

different projects. Eleven local leaders assisted the county and state specialists in conducting the projects. The following incurred expenses totaling $23.13: — Mrs. L. W. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grandchamp, Mrs. Jesse L. Rice, and Mrs. Denny G. Richter, Jr.

The appropriation made by your town was used by the agents of the Trustees for only residents of your town.

ALBERT H. FULLER, *Clerk*

Animal Inspector's Report

A total of 46 places were inspected and were found to be clean and free of disease. The break-down consists of: 169 dairy cattle, 28 beef cattle, 39 horses, 15 goats, 54 sheep, 22 swine.

ROBERT A. CONVERSE

Assessors' Report

The Board of Assessors were very pleased with the Revaluation Program completed by the J. M. Cleminshaw Company during 1962. The successful completion of this program culminated several years of planning to place the assessment of all taxable properties on a scientific basis. The townspeople can be proud of the fact that their town is now on a sound assessment basis.

It was mentioned in our report last year that we would abide by the State Tax Commissioner's interpretation of the December 1961 decision by the Supreme Judicial Court in the case Bettigole vs. Springfield Assessors. We were advised by the Commissioner that all towns and cities should assess property at Fair Cash Value. We have followed this advice and have assessed all property at Fair Cash value beginning in 1962. Although we are only one of a small number of cities and towns which followed this advice in 1962, we are convinced that this was the proper thing to do and in due time all communities will follow this procedure.

In the interest of promoting uniform taxation, the Board submitted three bills for action by the General Court. The first bill would provide a statutory exemption on personal property up to a total of $2,500 for each individual or family. If favorable action is taken, boats, horses and other hobby or leisure time equipment would not be taxed.

A bill to tax an excise against holders of right of ways used for business purposes would provide all towns with income from land forever restricted by power, pipe and phone lines.

The third bill would require electric utility companies to pay a levy on electricity imported from generating stations located outside of Massachusetts. This would give the towns and cities additional revenue in lieu of lost real estate taxes on the generating stations.

We solicit your support on these bills by writing or phoning State Legislators throughout the Commonwealth.

There are two main points of law which every resident should remember. First — that owners of personal property other than normal household furnishings are required to file a form of list with the Board of Assessors prior to March first of each year. Second — that any application for abatement of real estate or personal property taxes must be filed with the Assessors on or before October first each year. The weekly meetings of the Board of Assessors are held each Monday evening at 7 p.m. at the Town Office, at which time we are available to answer any questions concerning assessments.

The sources of income, State and County taxes, number of polls, and total property values for 1962 are shown in the following table of aggregate.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Appropriations to be raised by taxation	$1,508,553.57	
Appropriations taken from available funds	139,774.53	$1,648,328.10
Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years. (Western Mass. Electric Appellate Court Decision)	23,406.53	
Tax and Assessments:		
State Parks and Reservations	3,345.28	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,402.28	
County Tax	13,395.64	
Underestimates of 1961	300.13	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	425.73	
Overlay of current year	30,020.24	72,295.83
		$1,720,623.93

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Income Tax	$107,579.09
Corporation Taxes	26,133.82
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	444.28
Old Age Meal Tax	1,220.30

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	144,500.00	
Licenses	10,306.00	
Fines	1,335.20	
Special Assessments	919.32	
General Government	2,216.40	
Protection of Persons and Property	8,472.50	
Charities (other than Federal Grants)	3,613.97	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	15,670.71	
Veterans' Services	4,135.60	
School (Funds from Income Tax not included)	53,201.72	
Libraries	1,425.47	
Public Service Enterprises	68,377.00	
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	3,890.58	
State Assistance — School Construction	74,638.29	
Farm Animal Excise	178.18	
Overestimates State Parks	255.64	
Taken from Available Funds	139,774.53	668,288.60
Net amount to be raised by taxation on Polls and Property		$1,052,335.33
Number of Polls 2,287		
Tax on Polls		4,574.00
Valuation of Personal Property	$1,760,715.00	
Tax on Personal Property		38,735.73
Valuation of Real Estate	$45,863,880.00	
Tax on Real Estate		$1,009,005.36
Gain on fractional divisions		20.24
Total Tax on Polls and Property		$1,052,335.33

Tax Rate per $1,000 — $22.00
School rate $15.59 General rate $6.41

HAROLD K. JONES, *Chairman*
EDWARD H. GODFREY
ALLAN R. KINNEY

Building Inspector's Report

The following report shows there were more housing starts in 1962 than in any previous year in the history of Wilbraham. There was a 30% increase over 1961 and indications are that in 1963 this rapid growth in housing will continue.

Permits — Number and Type	*Estimated Cost*
130 Dwellings	$1,946,100.00
1 Indoor Swimming Pool	125,000.00
1 Medical Center	100,000.00
1 Arts Building	73,000.00
1 Church	59,000.00
27 Room Additions	53,430.00
18 Alterations	18,275.00

18 Garages	20,215.00
4 Car Ports	1,120.00
7 Cellar Play Rooms	4,725.00
3 Porches	2,000.00
2 Swimming Pools	5,500.00
1 Score Board	2,000.00
2 Industrial Buildings	8,500.00
2 Industrial Additions	15,000.00
4 Tool Sheds	800.00
2 Stables	400.00
1 Milk House	600.00
1 Fallout Shelter	230.00
8 Demolition	
234	$2,435,895.00

Inspections: 375 New Buildings; 124 Plumbing; 120 Septic Tanks; 75 Additions and Alterations; 72 Gas Pipings.

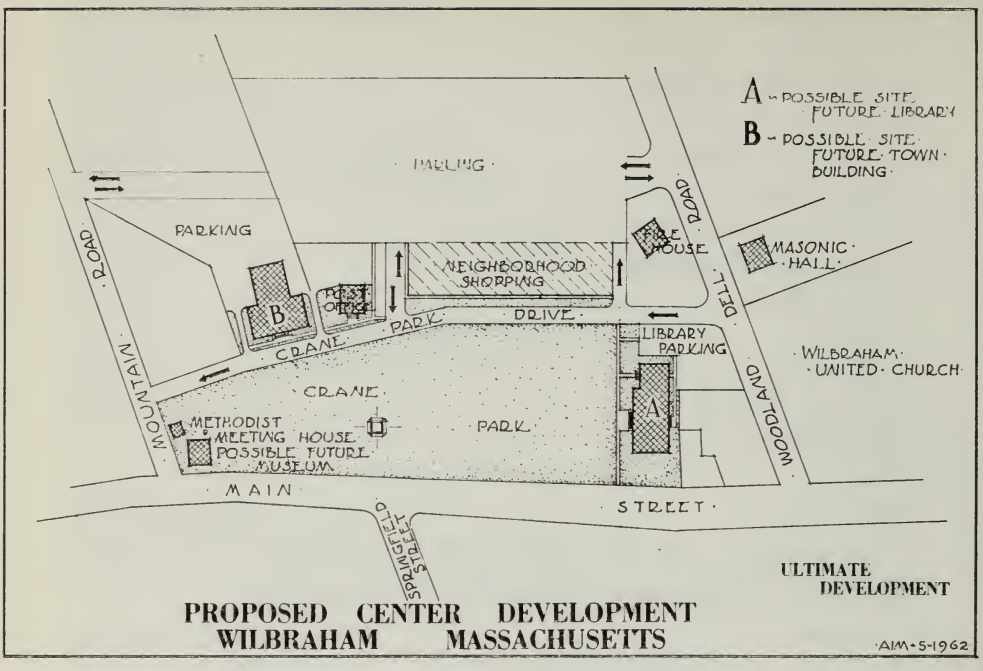
ANTHONY G. MASCARO

Center Study Committee

The Center Study Committee submitted to the special town meeting on June 18, 1962 a plan for the gradual and orderly development of expanded shopping facilities, provision for possible town buildings including a library, and the eventual creation of a town green in the general area of Crane Park. The initial phase would have combined two interrelated steps: (1) the rezoning of approximately five acres of land between the Post Office and the Fire Station and (2) the purchase of the old Wilbraham United Church site and the acceptance of additional land by gift to be used as the beginning of a town green. The shopping area would have been developed by private interests under the close supervision of town authorities. A possible ultimate development of this plan is illustrated in the accompanying sketch. The proposal was defeated by vote of the town meeting and the committee was dissolved.

The problems which motivated the formation of the committee and which guided the committee during its long study still exist and must not be overlooked in the future. They are:

(1) A critical traffic problem on Main Street from the Academy to Brookmont Drive.



(2) A stifling lack of parking space in the shopping area.

(3) A total lack of sites zoned for commercial use.

(4) Considerable pressure for disorderly, piecemeal rezoning in the center which can create a helter-skelter, unsightly area which will depreciate property values and will deprive the town of reasonable tax revenues.

It is hoped that the long-range plan that is being prepared by the Planning Board will consider these problems and that the town will resist pressures to act without regard for these problems until the long-range plan is available.

HARRY C. CRAWFORD, *Chairman*
C. I. BOWMAN
HEROL HARRINGTON
ANNE HARTT
DOROTHY SIGSBEE
WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR.
ARTHUR I. MACDONALD
BERT MOUNT
WILLIAM H. SHORTELL
JAMES B. MCGUIRE, dissenting

Minority Report for the Center Development Committee

As I saw the matter, there were actually two arguments presented for a Shopping Center: a reduction of the traffic problem in the center of the community and an avoidance of hit-or-miss

zoning. Because a new shopping district would only give us two traffic problems, and because good taste and alertness can prevent hit-or-miss zoning, I did not feel that I could agree with my fellow committee members.

As far as a Green is concerned, it did not appear probable to me that the town would, in any foreseeable future, vote the very large sums necessary to purchase the buildings occupying the space designed for a Green. Furthermore, I was never able to ascertain any necessary connection between the Green and the Shopping Center.

If you recall, the Committee recommended that a site be set aside for a library on the proposed Green. In fact, one of the reasons for the Committee's existence was the feeling at a town meeting that the problem of a library site should be seriously considered. While not supporting the idea of a Shopping Center, and while regarding the purchase of property for a Green as improbable, I am wholeheartedly of the opinion that any available site in the center of town should be acquired for an eventual library.

James Brady McGuire

Civil Defense

Last year's report indicated that local activity would be somewhat curtailed until the State and Federal Agencies would be reactivated and therefore no definite local program was proposed. However, in July 1962 the Federal Public Shelter Program was instigated to create some interest and then the Cuban Crisis created a tremendous demand for Civil Defense information. The Federal Agency put additional emphasis on the "Public Shelter Program" and the State Agency was successful in obtaining an emergency appropriation to reactivate the state organization.

Civil Defense is a joint responsibility of the Federal, State, and local Governments. Your local organization is still of the opinion that much is desired in the reorganization of these units to clearly define the various responsibilities. In facing the facts of the nuclear age and the destructive capabilities of a nuclear war, the problems are staggering. However, our philosophy has not changed but the problems as presented to us are compounding. We still stress the idea that the individual must be made aware of his own responsibilities for personal preparedness and survival. Unless we have survivors, it is senseless to provide programs for

the continuity of government, business, or other essentials to our way of life.

To be a little more realistic we, as a community, must be able to stand on our own two feet for a period of at least two weeks in the event of a nuclear attack. We might be completely isolated for some time — even though we escape the brunt of the attack. In addition to the immediate need of public fall-out shelters in our town, we would be faced with possible loss of normal power, water supplies for some, dwindling stocks of food, fuel, weakened health, medical supplies, lack of communications, uncontrolled fires, fall-out radiation, and contamination, coupled and compounded with the need to care for refugees from other areas and many other demanding problems. This is our problem as Civil Defense Officials to alert you as townspeople of your preparedness problems. There is no easy way to achieve this goal. Thought, time, money, and dedicated effort on the part of many people are greatly needed.

Based on this philosophy, your local organization adopted a public information program which will be continuous for several months called "Survival Begins at Home." This is a series of articles prepared and approved by the American Medical Society which your local organization felt was basic information every family should know about in order to take care of any type of emergency. Permission has been granted to reproduce these articles and as they are readied, they are being distributed by the school children with the cooperation of the school officials under the supervision of Deputy Director, Lincoln Dexter.

We have likewise prepared a portfolio in which to accumulate these articles, or any other Civil Defense information you or your family might want to retain. These portfolios sell for $1.00 (to defray the printing cost). Over one hundred families have taken advantage of this offer and are accumulating survival information for their respective family needs. This is a truly basic program on survival. It tells you "What To Do," "When To Do It," and "How To Do It" which is a very simple approach to a complicated problem. The families who take advantage of this program have a ready reference manual, and if reviewed periodically, such families will not be unprepared.

For those of you who are interested in this portfolio, kindly contact your local C. D. Office and an application will be sent you. Do not send the money with your request; the collection

will be made when the portfolio is delivered.

The Communication Service, particularly radio, has met every Monday night for the past year. A new wave length has been assigned the frequency as per the State Civil Defense Agency and new crystals installed to conform to the new requirements. Several new volunteers have been trained and better radio techniques employed to guarantee first-rate radio communications during any emergency. Plans are also being made to utilize the old Civil Defense radio frequency for emergency needs during the major attractions of our Bicentennial Celebration. Our radio communications facilities are second to none and we are doing everything we can to guarantee this form of communications in the event of any catastrophe. This unit meets every Monday night together with other interested personnel and much credit should be extended to this group for their dedicated effort under the direction of Frederic Boyce.

Radiological Service has also been stimulated by the acquisition of four additional monitoring sets for detection of radioactive fallout. These instruments are the only way of detecting the presence of deadly radioactive fallout. Monitoring teams are being trained and many people are needed to know how to operate such equipment. This activity is under the direction of Professor Randolph of Wilbraham Academy and additional classes in Radiological Monitoring are being formed so watch the local newspapers for information.

The public shelter program as far as Wilbraham is concerned, is extremely critical. Based on present Federal Rules and Regulations, the designation and stockpiling could be done to accommodate 200 people. Based on a total population of over 8,000 people, this is inadequate. Other rural areas are in a similar situation and some changes are pending, such as reducing the minimum and supplying rations for the maximum per shelter. This method will create many small public shelter units but also will accommodate better than 50% of our population as of today. Until these restrictions have been reduced, your local Civil Defense officials have made no attempt to register existing qualified shelters. If a program can't be developed to accommodate better than 50% of the population as far as public shelters are concerned, we should not waste our time and effort until such time as we can provide for the majority of our people. In the meantime, we encourage you to provide for your own shelter needs

of a permanent or temporary nature. If you have a cellar, take advantage of it and if it is big enough, invite your neighbors. Each person should have their own survival kit as far as individual necessities are concerned to last a minimum of two weeks; and if we don't have a devastating catastrophe, at least some survivors will be available. Civil Defense is a cooperating-coordinating venture and the responsibilities of the Local, State, and Federal units are our individual responsibilities as citizens.

During the coming year the Federal and State Civil Defense Agencies will become greatly reactivated. The State Sector Headquarters will be reopened. Public Shelter Program will be revised. Local organizations will be alerted to new problems and we in Wilbraham are again ready to face the chronic problems which include lack of public interest, lack of local government interest, lack of sufficient funds, lack of personnel, and an overabundance of critics of many varieties. We are doing our best — are you?

As a final item in this report, it is only natural to pay tribute to one of our departed staff members, William Pollitt who died on December 23, 1962. "Bill" was in charge of the Auxiliary Police Service which has proven itself many times as one of the most outstanding units of its type in the State. He was present at every Monday night meeting and his experience and knowledge helped us shape our course of action many times. His presence at our weekly meetings will be missed. His "gentlemanly" conduct, sincere dedication, and constructive suggestions were most helpful. Civil Defense and the Town of Wilbraham have lost a wonderful servant. We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

ROGER T. HINTZE, *Director*
LINCOLN DEXTER, *Deputy Director*

Dog Officer's Report

A total of 768 dogs were licensed in 1962. This amount is 22 less than 1961.

Twenty dog bites were investigated and the dogs were quarantined for 14 days.

Thirty-eight stray dogs were picked up and of these 31 were returned to the owners. Seven were disposed of.

Sixteen dogs were reported missing by owners — nine were recovered.

Eight dogs were killed by automobiles and were disposed of.

No livestock was reported to have been killed by dogs.

One cat-bite case was reported.

ROBERT A. CONVERSE

Electrical Inspector

From the period of January 1, 1962 through December 31, 1962, there were 270 electrical permits issued. These permits were issued for the following purposes:

124 new residences
5 non-residential buildings
26 service increases
6 electric water heaters (separate from new buildings)
4 electric ranges (separate from new buildings)
16 oil burners (separate from new buildings)
12 electric dryers (separate from new buildings)
26 additional rooms or cellar and attic finishing
22 additional outlets
29 miscellaneous lights, pumps, etc.

WM. E. FITZGERALD, JR.

Fire Department

Telephone number LY-6-3111, our emergency telephone for incoming calls, is to be used for reporting fires and emergencies only. All other business pertaining to Fire Department please dial LY 6-3122 or LY 6-3014. *This is very important.*

Fire Loss:	
Buildings (33)	$6,009.76
Contents	2,058.23
Assessed Valuations	603,650.00

Department responded to 321 alarms: 33 buildings, 103 grass and brush, 19 automobiles, 11 dumps, 1 gasoline spill, 8 miscellaneous, 8 mutual aid out of town, and 138 emergencies.

Fifty-nine permits were issued for installation of oil-burning equipment, twenty-five permits for installation of L.P. gas equipment, seven permits for dynamite; 181 inspections, 87 extinguishers were recharged. All schools and public buildings were inspected and found in order.

In September John Brackinisky, who had for forty-two years served the town ably and effectively as a call fireman of the Fire Department, found it necessary to resign his post for reasons of health. The Fire Department pays high tribute to Mr. Brackinisky and his outstanding record.

For their cooperation and assistance, I express my heartfelt gratitude to the Fire Dispatchers, the call men, the auxiliary, to the members of the Board of Selectmen, Fire Commissioners, Wilbraham Police, State Police, and all others who may have helped during the past year.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR., *Chief*

ROSTER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Permanent: Chief Ralph Tupper, Sr.; Assistant Chief Cyril Woods; Private Kent Folsom.

Dispatchers: Mary Chapman; Berenice Tupper; Martha Woods.

Call Men: Assistant Chief, Raymond Beach, Jr.; Captain, John Campsie; Drill Master, Lt. Charles Dorey; First Aid Instructor, Harold Porter; George King; Roger Whitehill; John Brackinisky; Philip Shaw, Jr.; Ronald VonFlatern; Wesley Chapman; David MacDonald; Andrew Grzbowski; Bryant Carpenter; Robert Macaulay.

Auxiliary Men: Clifton Scott; Edward Clark; Stanley Johnson; Karl Tupper; William Tupper; Walter Howe; John Anderson; George Jackson, Jr.; David Chapman; Edward Bach; Lawrence Rose; David McDonald; Richard Beane; Homer Henley; Ephraim Carron; Leonard VonFlatern; Timothy Maxfield; William Strosburg; William Mobley; Robert Maynard; David Graham; Darrel Lang.

Forest Warden

Four thousand two hundred fifteen (4,215) permits were issued for open air fires. At numerous times of the year no burning in the open is allowed. For said permit dial LY 6-3122 or LY 6-3014. Our emergency telephone, LY 6-3111, is not to be used for this purpose.

The only incinerator that can be used in the open without a permit must be one that releases no sparks or open flame. Wire basket type is not allowed in Wilbraham. If in doubt when purchasing an incinerator, call the Fire Chief for information.

Deputy Forest Wardens: John Chrzanowski, Newton Goewey, Steven Lapota, Charles Dorey, John Sigsbee, Raymond Beach, Jr., Kent Folsom, Cyril Woods.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR.

Board of Health

During 1962, eighteen licensed eating and drinking establishments were inspected and seven markets were inspected at least once every two months.

Two day camps, one motel, and six overnight camps or cabins were inspected at least once during the year.

Twenty-four store milk licenses, thirteen milk dealer's licenses, and ten oleomargarine licenses were issued during 1962.

Eleven public health nuisance complaints were investigated. All eleven nuisances were abated in accordance with approved health practices.

Ten samples of water from private sources, one sample from the town water line, and three samples from Spec Pond were obtained and analyzed during the year. Adequate sampling of private water supplies is necessary to insure that good quality water is available.

The town dump was inspected frequently with recommendations being made to the Board of Health when necessary. The maintenance of the dump, in general, has been good. It is hoped that a sanitary fill type of refuse disposal may be considered in the near future.

One extensive drainage investigation was made during the year. Recommendations were made to the Board of Selectmen which were fulfilled immediately.

The Board of Health was extremely active during 1962 and every indication is that the Board of Health will continue active in 1963.

I wish to thank the public for the fine cooperation extended to me during the past year.

JOHN A. BRICKETT, R.S.

Industrial Development Committee Report

Activities of the Industrial Development Committee during 1962 were somewhat limited due to the need for physical improvement of the land available for development.

A number of prospective buyers were shown our only available land, but in each instance the feeling was that too much filling and grading was necessary. While this is not an insurmountable problem, it is an accepted fact that filled land must be allowed to settle for at least one year before it is considered suitable for heavy construction, unless extremely expensive operations are employed.

Our work was largely devoted, therefore, to promoting a plan with the owners whereby they would level in a satisfactory manner, a substantial part of the available land. This work is now being done and we hope within the next year to be able to present a most impressive layout to interested industries.

ROLAND L. SIROIS, *Chairman*

FRANKLIN T. RICHARDSON — BERT MOUNT
LEO PARADIS — BEATRICE L. BECKER

Jury List — 1962-1963

Archambault, Vic, 49 Brainard Rd., W. ..... Mason Contractor
Bedard, Charles J., 92 Manchonis Rd., W. ..... Electrician
Blauvelt, Doris, C., 913 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Bocchino, Alphonse F., 9 Shirley St., W. ..... Printer
Bogue, Howard C., 2697 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Clerk
Boyce, G. Frederic, 3113 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Printer
Brooks, Marion, 904 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Medical Secretary
Brower, Van Pelt, Jr., 23 Decorie Dr., W. ..... Chemical Engineer
Chapman, Robert H., 2009 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Motel Owner
Chechile, Fred A., 21 Jewel Lane, W. .. Self-employed — Floor Covering
Chlastawa, Edward J., 65 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Telephone Installer
Clark, Edward N., 1215 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Carpenter
DeMarco, John C., 9 Brainard Rd., W. ..... Tube Bender (Neon)
Duplissa, Donald F., 21 Brookmont Dr., W. ..... Insurance
Ersing, Hans, E., 34 Glenn Dr., W. ..... Machinist
Fogg, Perry W., 12 Old Orchard Rd., W. ..... Salesman
Frydryk, John A., 23 Dalton St., N.W. ..... Machine Moulder
Gaudette, George R., 4 Wilbraview Dr., W. ..... Interior Decorator
Gensheimer, Henry D., 16 Meadowview Rd., W. ..... Foreman
Gernux, Thomas J., 26 Glenn Dr., W. ..... Brick Layer
Godfrey, Edward H., 787 Ridge Rd., W. ..... Supervisor
Gouvin, Albert R., 376 Springfield St., W. ..... Garage Operator
Grzybowski, Andrew F., 19 Benton St., N.W. ..... Piper
Handel, Richard W., 107 Springfield St., W. ..... Purchasing Agent
Harting, Charles W., 27 Brookside Cir., W. .. Supt. — Bldg. and Grounds
Hazeltine, Benjamin P., 278 Mountain Rd., N.W. .... Chemical Engineer
Hess, John Y., 233 Monson Rd., W. ..... Carpenter
Hunt, Arthur W., 28 Brookside Dr., W. ..... Bank Manager (Branch)
Iwasinski, Theodore, 2379 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Clerk
Jahn, George A., 1048 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Pattern Maker
LaBroad, Robert J., 1 Ruth Dr., W. ..... Analyst — Hamilton Standard
LeFreniere, Joseph L., 4 Glenn Dr., W. ..... Chemical Operator
Lajzer, John J. S., 13 Sunnyside Ter., W. ..... Dye Caster
Lang, Glenford F., 1 Raymond Dr., W. ..... Financial Consultant
Laurino, Thomas P., 56 Brainard Rd., N.W. ..... Tool Designer
Lindell, Carl O., 4 Brooklawn Rd., W. ..... Trucker
Little, Lawson, 477 Dipping Hole Rd., W. ..... Sales Manager
Los, Stanley J., 124 River Rd., N.W. ..... Tool Grinder
Macaulay, Frederick J., 910 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Builder
MacIntire, Wesley, 24 Delmor Ave., W. ..... Mechanic

MacLeod, George V., 9 Chapin Dr., W. ..... Bank Manager (Branch)
Magruder, Doris S., 505 Mountain Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Maiocco, George W., 4 Linwood Dr., W. ..... Manager
McCalligett, James F., 28 Brookdale Dr., W. ..... Toolmaker
Megliola, Anthony M., 14 Rochford Dr., W. ... Insurance Representative
Meregian, Andon A., 41 Brookside Dr., W. ..... Businessman
Merrick, Charles, L., 651 Main St., W. ..... Farmer
Morrissette, Raymond E., Sunset Rock Rd., N.W. ..... Tool Designer
Nickerson, David L., 27 Leemond St., W. ..... Optical Engineer
O'Day, Howard T., 659 Ridge Rd., W. ..... Insurance
O'Neil, George F., 348 Springfield St., W. ..... Cost Accountant
Palmer, Stanley E., 503 Main St., W. ..... Engineer
Pincince, Raymond L., 15 Longview Dr., W. ..... Accountant
Plancon, Eugene R., Chestnut Hill, N.W. ..... Salesman
Polk, Leslie, D., 571 Main St., W. ..... News Editor
Porter, Harold E., 520 Main St., W. ..... Insurance
Post, Frederick, H., 3 Leemond St., W. ..... Inspector
Prokop, Beatrice D., 7 Bolles Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Riendeau, Lucien, Federal Lane, W. ..... Welder
Salls, Russell C., 237 Monson Rd., W. ..... Civil Engineer
Schuback, William W., 5 Highmoor Dr., W. ..... Office Manager
Scott-Smith, Francis H., 3 Pearl Lane, W. ..... Pilot Plant Operator
Sleith, Samuel W., 17 Nokomis Rd., W. ..... Assistant Manager
Spagnoli, Salvatore J., 5 Wilbraview Dr., W. ..... Businessman
Stagnaro, Charles W., 14 Pease St., W. ..... Machinist
Strohman, Robert A., 655 Glendale Rd., N.W. ..... Clerk
Strosburg, William A., Cone Trail, W. ..... Printer
Swain, Richard C., 423 Mountain Rd., W. ..... Consultant
Sweetman, Lawrence J., 215 Three Rivers Rd., N.W. ..... Contractor
Swiatek, Ted M., 616 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Tool Engineer
Swiecanski, Stanley H., 131 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Carpenter
Trant, Colin A., 76 Crane Hill Rd., N.W. ..... Salesman
Tupper, Karl F., 19 Rochford Dr., W. ..... Electrician
Van Brocklyn, Robert R., 2 Sunset Rock Rd., N.W. .... Policy Assistant
Webster, David, Jr., 4 Leemond St., W. ..... Manager
Welch, John C., Sr., 6 Wilbraview Dr., W. ..... Manager
Willoughby, Richard, 15 Bruuer Ave., W. ..... Salesman
Wirzbicki, Walter S., 19 Weston St., N.W. ..... Clerk
Wojcik, Stephen, 6 Merrill Rd., W. ..... Staff Assistant (Tel. & Tel.)

Wilbraham Public Library Report

The Wilbraham Public Library is now a member of the Western Regional Public Library System. This means the library can borrow from a large collection of films and recordings and can arrange for many types of exhibits. Our own resources contain much local history, and the library has been able to be most useful to townspeople doing research for our bicentennial celebration. Furthermore, our resources include an interesting and growing collection of books in foreign languages.

The continuing interest in the library revealed by individual and group gifts is gratifying to both the staff and trustees. There is not space in this report to list individual donors, but mention may be made of several group presentations. The Wilbraham Garden Club purchased a sizable collection of books and gave them to the library in memory of Bertha M. Piper; the P & B Engraving Company of Springfield has generously printed the plates for the books at no charge to the library. Another valuable gift was an English-Polish dictionary donated by the One-Hundred Club. The Grange has embarked on a program for presenting books to augment the collection as individual memorials, and its first gift is to be the history of the town presently being compiled for the bicentennial commemoration. We are, also, deeply indebted to the Garden Club for its sensitive efforts in planting flowers and shrubs around the building and for Christmas decorations.

The growth of circulation of books and the increase in services offered to borrowers continues. Paradoxically, however, this situation causes the trustees deep concern for our present building becomes more inadequate daily. As the school children are using the library in ever increasing numbers, and as new readers are constantly appearing, the space is insufficient. As a result, we have no place to hold the exhibitions, show the films, or play the recordings written of above.

In our attempts to alleviate these conditions we have had a room on the ground floor renovated at a cost of six hundred dollars and the staff has moved many old books and periodicals to the second and third floors. It is our opinion that the upper two floors are fit only for storage and that it would be uneconomical to try to make meeting, reading, or exhibition rooms on these levels. As trustees, we are naturally concerned with the town's receiving fair value for its dollars, and we do not think that much money other than that for maintenance and repairs should be put into this building.

During 1962 the Friends of the Library set up a Trust Fund to handle any contributions you may care to make for a new site and building. All contributions are tax deductible.

M. Gertrude Ronk, *Chairman*
Loni Brower
James B. McGuire

WILBRAHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS

Holdings:		
Volumes in Library, January 1, 1962		14,663
Volumes purchased	1,229	
Volumes donated (Gifts)	188	
	1,417	
Volumes discarded, lost	536	881
Volumes in Library, January 1, 1963		15,544
Registration:		
Adult	1,697	
Children	1,149	
Total: (441 gain over 1961)		2,846
Circulation:		
Adult (including periodicals)	19,640	
Juvenile (including school and periodicals)	30,144	
Total: (4,449 gain over 1961)		49,784
Special Services:		
Books borrowed on interlibrary loan		71
Books lent on interlibrary loan		5
Reserve book notices mailed to borrowers		530
Overdue notices mailed to borrowers		2,128
Fines Collected:		$771.84

Personnel Study Committee Report

The Personnel Study Committee, appointed by the Selectmen in 1961, upon request of the Finance Committee, completed its initial study of position classification of all town employees (except the school department) and established rates and salary ranges during its first year.

Recognizing the importance of fringe benefits in a well designed personnel program, the Selectmen, in 1962, requested that the Personnel Study Committee remain intact and proceed with such a study.

The program of study was instituted by asking all governing boards to complete a questionnaire setting forth all fringe benefits then in effect. All reports were condensed by means of a chart and a comparison was made of existing benefits in each department with those in other departments, those in the school department, those in surrounding towns, and those in industry.

The Committee submitted to the Selectmen and the Finance Committee a summary and recommendations on fringe benefits, dealing primarily with vacation leave, holiday leave, sick leave, bereavement leave, court leave, and leave without pay. A review of the personnel program pertaining to the administration of records was made and recommendations for administration were also submitted.

The Committee met with various governing boards on questions of position classification, salaries and wages and fringe benefits during the year. As there are other areas to be studied and as the program requires periodic attention and review, it was recommended that the Personnel Study Committee become a permanent committee of the town to be appointed annually by the Board of Selectmen.

HERMAN G. GRANDCHAMP, *Chairman* DARREL AMES
JOHN BEMBEN, *Secretary* ALBERT NEALE

Pest Control Report

In the early spring of 1962 all roadside elms and some private elms (by request only where town elms are present) were sprayed for the control of elm leaf beetle and European elm bark beetle. (Dutch elm disease carrier.) The insecticide used for this spray was methoxychlor as requested at the annual town meeting in March 1962 by interested individuals. In previous years, D.D.T. was used. Favorable results were obtained and we hope to continue using the less toxic methoxychlor as long as evidence will support its use.

We hope during 1963 to follow the recommendations of the Department of Natural Resources and the Shade Tree Laboratories at the University of Massachusetts to pursue the policies of Dutch elm control in the following manner: (1) a good sanitation program; (2) a good sampling program; (3) the prompt removal and destruction of Dutch elm diseased trees; and (4) the dormant spraying of valued trees as a supplement to the sanitation program. The town of Wilbraham has attempted to follow these recommendations in the past. We feel that much progress has been made, and we can hope that the disease can be curbed and eliminated to preserve the beauty of the American elm.

Throughout the year, 62 samples of suspected elms were col-

lected and submitted to the Shade Tree Laboratories for testing. All but one of these samples contained the Dutch elm disease fungus. These 61 positive samples represented a total of 99 individual trees (clumps and twin trees are generally sampled as one unit). There was a hold-over of 44 known diseased elms from 1961 sampling programs giving a total of 143 known diseased elms tagged for removal. As of December 31, 1962, 124 of these trees have been removed and destroyed. Town crews supervised by the Pest Control Officer removed 105 of these trees along with a number of completely dead "beetle carrying" elms. Private tree companies removed 17 trees, and the electric utility company serving Wilbraham removed 2 of these trees. On December 31, 1962 there remained 19 known diseased elms along with 25 suspected diseased elms which should be removed and destroyed before May 1, 1963 according to state law.

During 1962 a small number of gypsy moth egg clusters were found in Wilbraham in the East portion of town near Monson Road. The number was not alarming and far below the required concentration for state aerial control. These areas will be checked closely in 1963. Severe local outbreaks of forest tent caterpillar in early June did severe leaf damage. These insects are on a gradual buildup and can be controlled with one spray. A number of town trees which were heavily infested were sprayed for control.

Once again a mosquito control program was conducted in Wilbraham. There was considerable comment at the annual town meeting in March 1962 regarding this activity. A late spring spray of light concentration was followed by the first residential aerial spray on June 13 and 14. The second residential spray after many complaints of mosquito infestation and some sickness as a result of mosquito infection was conducted on July 26, 1962. We feel that the spraying program is a necessity from a health standpoint as well as allowing more outdoor pleasure during the summer months. In 1962 the Massachusetts state legislature passed laws regulating the application of all pesticides. A pesticide board has been created under the control of the Department of Public Health. Any individual who applies pesticides must be licensed by this board and come under their control and supervision. We propose that the town of Wilbraham use a new insecticide called BAYTEX, much less toxic than D.D.T. to fish and wildlife and yet very successful in mosquito control. (The Pesti-

cide Board may also recommend or even require its use.) We realize that a controversy does exist on this subject and while we have our own opinion, the legislative control and use of less toxic insecticides should ease this controversy. We feel that the program has been successful and we hope to continue the aerial spray program in 1963.

During 1962 many roadsides were sprayed for poison ivy control. This is becoming a major problem along our more rural roads. We hope in 1963 to concentrate in these areas on its eradication with selective poison ivy spray program.

GORDON R. LONG

Planning Board Report

The Wilbraham Planning Board held regular monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of each month during the year of 1962. In addition, there were 5 special meetings or hearings.

Public hearings were held for the presentation of 8 subdivisions. In most instances these represented extensions of existing areas previously subdivided. There were a total of 3 new subdivisions presented for approval. Five of the 8 presented were approved subject to the posting of performance bonds or the completion of road construction, installation of water lines where available, and any required drainage system.

As required under the law, the Board, together with the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board Engineer and the Highway Superintendent viewed 10 streets which will be presented for acceptance at the annual town meeting.

A special public hearing was held on June 7, 1962 at Memorial School. The petitioner, Mr. J. Loring Brooks, et al, requested rezoning of his property east of Crane Park and Burt Lane from Residence A-1 to Neighborhood Shopping. Mr. Harry Crawford, Chairman of the Center Study Committee and speaking for that Committee, presented their plans for a proposed town green integrated with the shopping area. There was a strong negative reaction against the proposal and the zoning change was defeated at a special town meeting held June 18.

Two amendments to the zoning by-laws were passed at the June 18 special town meeting. A new Paragraph 9 was added to Section 13. This established regulations for the location of a fall-out shelter in relation to residential property and made provi-

sion for inspection of same. Article 10 of that meeting concerned the rezoning of the property of Nicholas Moroz at 3105 Boston Road from Residence A to Business. This change was subsequently approved by the Attorney General.

The Federal Government has approved the grant requested by the town for the preparation of a Master Plan. A contract was awarded to Technical Planning Associates of New Haven, Connecticut for the study to be made and the completion of the Master Plan. The Board has held regular monthly meetings since October 10, 1962 with Mr. M. H. Lincoln, the engineer of that firm, to discuss the various phases of the Plan as it has progressed. A report on the Master Plan is included in this town report.

LEO E. KUEHN, *Chairman*
HERBERT DAUNHEIMER
RICHARD MORGAN
WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR.
BION T. WHEELER, JR.

Master Plan Study Report

The following is a digest of the report filed by Mr. M. H. Lincoln of Technical Planning Associates with the Planning Board.

This report is a brief summary of the work done in the first 4 months to date on the Master Plan for Wilbraham. It is hoped that wide distribution will more fully inform the townspeople on the problems that come with community growth, the assets and liabilities of the town, the conditions that affect future growth, and some of the means by which the town can guide and control its future. To prepare a Plan to guide future growth, it is necessary, first, to determine the regional elements that affect the town's growth and potential, and second, to acquire and relate to each other all of the local information on natural and physical characteristics of the land and its present uses, the people, the economic base, town government, services, and utilities.

Establishment of the Southern Pioneer Valley Regional Planning District is the start of planning in the region of which Wilbraham is a part. Local plans can be much better and more realistically formulated with proper consideration to regional planning that has an impact on the town. It therefore seems most desirable for Wilbraham to consider participation in the formation of the regional plans.

Regional population movement has had a definite affect on Wilbraham's growth. Between 1950 and 1960 the town's popu-

lation increased by almost 3,400 people, an 85% increase. However, over 2/3 of this increase, almost 2,700 people, moved into the town during this ten-year period and undoubtedly the large majority came from the immediate region.

Past development illustrates the extent to which natural features have affected community growth up until now. A very small amount of recent growth has taken place on the steeply sloping land along and on the ridge. Safe road grades and intersections are difficult to accomplish in this hilly land with conventional subdivision patterns. The rocky soil and sub-surface make adequate sewage disposal difficult except in pockets of well drained soils. Yet this land is choice, and new patterns of development that recognize the problems will make possible development of the highest type, although at lower densities.

The central plain west of the ridge is mostly rolling country, and contains substantial areas of low land with unstable muck soils that will be difficult to drain. Some developments have expanded to the edges of these areas and then stopped, probably due to the condition of the land. Areas in this central plain contain by far the greatest amount of the newer developments.

The Glendale area east of the ridge, and East Wilbraham, have relatively small areas of steeply sloping or swampy land, and are distinct parts of the town divided from the main body of the town by the ridge.

While the steep slopes and swamps may appear to be liabilities, they can be turned into assets. Some of the newer developments are now separated from each other by brooks and wet land. The brooks and streams are the town's principal storm drainage system. Their preservation and improvement now can reduce substantially future storm drainage costs.

Conservation and landscaping of portions of the low land along these brooks will provide natural wooded buffers between neighborhoods. This can prevent "urban sprawl," with its monotonous continuation of street after street and house after house.

From the valley, which ultimately will contain the greater portion of the town's population, the wooded slopes of the ridge furnish a natural background. Development of the more suitable land on the ridge, and preservation of the steeper slopes in their natural state, can preserve for the townspeople an outstanding setting.

Existing land uses are in part the basis for future planning. Something less than one-fifth of the town's area is presently used. Residences occupy about 14% of town land, business and industry 2.2%, public schools, parks and playgrounds 1.2%, and other public and semi-public uses including the Academy 2%. In addition the State Game Farm, utilities, and recreational land account for an additional 5%.

Substantially all of the new residential growth is taking place on the central plain, with a relatively heavy concentration in the southern part of town. Also, there is a sizable amount of good vacant land here, that should attract new residential construction. It will be advantageous to the town and to the present and future families in the central plain if they can be conveniently and adequately served with shops in their own areas.

The present commercial facilities in Wilbraham Center appear inadequate to meet the immediate foreseeable needs. From a planning viewpoint, expansion of the area to reasonable limits is desirable.

On the north side of the Boston Road, with the railroad running through it, is the industrial area. Not yet fully developed, there is good land available for industrial expansion.

In round figures there are something over 10,000 acres of land that is not built up or reserved for some specific purpose, or used for roads. This includes a number of properties now being farmed. From several points of view, it is desirable to encourage the continuance of farming. There is, however, a question about the permanence of this use in an expanding metropolitan area, so here farm land is considered to be subject to possible future development.

On this land most of the future growth of Wilbraham will take place. All of the vacant land is not entirely suitable for building. Over 2,200 acres is steeply sloping rocky hillside. Another 1,100 acres is low and wet, mostly along natural water courses. This leaves about 6,700 acres of land that is fairly to well suited for building development, depending on the absorptive qualities of the soil or on availability of sewers.

Maps have been prepared showing all of the natural, physical, and man-made conditions outlined above. They show these various characteristics in relation to each other and to the several town neighborhoods.

The next phase of the planning studies will be an examination

of these conditions as they affect future growth. Future population projections will be made for the several neighborhoods of the town, and on this basis the requirements of public and private facilities to serve their foreseeable needs can be determined. This will lead into preliminary studies for parts of the Master Plan of Development.

WILBRAHAM PLANNING BOARD

Leo E. Kuehn, *Chairman*
Herbert Daunheimer
Richard Morgan
William Sullivan, Jr.
Bion T. Wheeler, Jr.

Playground Commission Report

The primary project of Wilbraham Playground Commission is the supervised summer program. This activity was conducted at Memorial School playground for a six-week period, July 9 to August 17, under supervision of Mr. Richard Spencer. He was assisted by Mr. Joseph Van West, Mrs. Constance Kimberly, Miss Nancy Muir and Miss Beth Moore.

The program consisted of organized group games; arts and handicraft instruction; reading and story telling; contests and shows, and sporting events. An average of 120 children participated in the program daily. This figure is down slightly from former years because activity was limited to one playground (Pines School grounds were disrupted due to construction), and transportation was not provided.

The groundskeeping function was performed by Mr. Spencer, Mr. Van West and Mr. Walter Presz. They cut a second ball diamond at Memorial, and did an excellent job of maintaining Grassy Hollow and Memorial Athletic fields.

In December a survey questionnaire was circulated through the grammar schools and junior high school to ascertain if possible just what Wilbraham parents and children desired in a recreation program. The results of this survey were used in setting up our 1963 program and budget.

The Playground Commissioners wish to extend thanks to the Water Department, the Highway Department, the Town Public Library, and the Selectmen's Office for assistance rendered during the past year.

Truman R. Swallow, *Chairman*
Bruce Crawford
Harold Lovering, Jr.

Police Department

It is a pleasure to submit to you the annual report of the Wilbraham Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1962.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief: William Pollitt. *Regular Patrolmen:* John J. Chrzanowski, Newton W. Goewey, Jr. *Reserve Patrolmen:* Stephen Lopata, Alton L. McDonald. *Auxiliary Police:* Sgt. John J. Connor, Sgt. Wellington C. Rose, Sgt. Emeric J. Wyzik, Sgt. Ralph M. Kilcourse, Philip Britten, Joseph Crespi, William Hartman, John Y. Hess, George N. Levakis, Jr., Alexander Murphy, William H. Rademaekers, Donald A. Bump, Joseph A. Cloutier, Robert A. Converse, Edward E. Dearborn, Harold R. Hartman, Morrison J. Marelli, Howard S. McIntosh, Albert T. Gouvin, Jr., Arthur W. Hunt, Jr., Stanley J. Pabis, John Ward, Walter S. Wirzbicki. *School Traffic Officers:* Mrs. Mary Strycharz, Mrs. Marjorie Goewey, Mrs. Alice Boyer, Mrs. Alice Christensen.

The year 1962 was marked by more accidents than the previous year and there were more crimes committed of a serious nature.

Again this year, the Selectmen, acting as Police Commissioners, followed through in their belief that police training is a community investment rather than an expense, by sending Patrolman John J. Chrzanowski to the State Police Training School in Framingham from which he graduated on August 17, 1962 after completing a six-weeks' training program.

The Auxiliary Police are still continuing their training program under the direction of Sgt. John J. Connor; the program has been accelerated. If anyone between the ages of 21 and 45 are interested in joining the Auxiliary, contact the Police Department.

Safety Officer John Chrzanowski has attended monthly meetings of the Safety Council and made 28 visits to the Wilbraham Schools and Boy Scouts showing films and stressing safety needs.

The entire Department was greatly saddened by the death of their beloved Chief, William Pollitt, on December 23, 1962. He will long be remembered for his diligence and devotion to duty by all who knew him. Patrolman John Chrzanowski was appointed Acting Chief on December 23, 1962 by the Selectmen.

The Department wishes to express appreciation for the fine co-operation during the past year to Chief Ralph Tupper and his men of the Fire Department; to Highway Superintendent Herbert Butler; and to Dr. John Sigsbee whose services we shall miss greatly, as he was always ready and willing to give assistance in any and all emergencies.

We would especially like to thank Sergeant Chet Ruszczyk and his men of the Monson Barracks for the fine co-operation given us throughout the year.

Our most sincere appreciation is expressed once again to the Board of Selectmen for their co-operation during 1962.

JOHN J. CHRZANOWSKI, *Acting Chief*

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR

Crimes Against Property: Breaking and Entering to Commit Larceny, 12. *Crimes Against Public Order:* Drunkenness, 9; Disturbing the Peace, 5; Carrying a loaded gun, 1. *Motor Vehicle Violations:* Motor Boat Complaints, 2; Passing with view obstructed, 45; Operating under the influence of intoxicating liquor, 7; Operating to endanger, 10; Offensive driving, 1; Failing to stop at stop sign, 27; No inspection sticker, 2; Reckless driving, 1; Operating without glasses, 1; Unregistered and uninsured, 2; Failing to stop at red light, 10; Operating without a license, 2; Operating after suspension, 1; Faulty equipment, 1; Speeding, 51; Cases referred to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for action, 15; Cases filed with warning, 70. *Summary of Traffic Accidents:* Property damage, 70; Personal Injury, 46; Fatality, 1; Total number of accidents, 116. One person killed in an industrial accident. *Other Activity:* Doors or windows found open at night in business establishments, 66; Broken water line, 1; Vacant homes checked for people on vacation, 307; Missing persons found and returned, 6; Complaints received and investigated, 345; Summons served for other Police Departments, 267; Injured persons taken to hospital in Police Cruiser, 25; Stolen cars recovered, 6; Service rendered disabled motorists, 107; Escapees apprehended, 2. *Money Received and turned over to the Town Clerk:* Firearms Permits and Accident Reports, $257; Received by the Town from court fines, $930.

Report of Radio Committee

This committee was originally appointed to study and make recommendations concerning the best possible use of our various radio network facilities in order to obtain the most efficient and economical service for the welfare of the town and its emergency personnel.

During the past year the committee investigated various systems other than radio communications to alert its emergency personnel. The committee has also been delaying any action relative to radio equipment because our present system is very adequate for our present use. Furthermore, Federal Matching Funds are not available; and as soon as this program is reactivated and the restrictions and controls are lifted, we will take advantage of this assistance.

In the proper planning of our communications equipment much can be saved in "Time," "Lives," and "Property Values" for the

people of this community. The townspeople should be very thankful for the dedicated personnel of the various services who are responsible for their respective departments, and who are constantly trying to improve their departments in order to render the service demanded of them.

We regret the loss of another member of our committee, namely "Bill" Pollitt, who died on December 23, 1962. His constructive criticism was most helpful because of his experience in Police Communications and the necessity of advising sufficient personnel for emergency needs whenever and wherever needed. We regret his loss and wish to extend to his family our sincere sympathies.

ROGER T. HINTZE, *Chairman*
HERBERT BUTLER
RALPH TUPPER
WILLIAM POLLITT (deceased)
G. FREDERIC BOYCE

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Devices tested and approved during 1962: Scales — 69, Weights — 64, Liquid measures — 1, Gasoline pumps, 42, Grease meters — 11, Fuel truck meters — 9. Fees charged — $144.50.

CHARLES L. MERRICK

Inspector of Slaughtering Report

One heifer was slaughtered and inspected in 1962.

ROBERT A. CONVERSE

Spec Pond Report

The Spec Pond Recreational Area completed another successful year in the summer of 1962. Attendance during the year was approximately 35,000, a little lower than the preceding year because of weather conditions in the month of August.

Spec Pond operated for 13 weeks, 10 hours a day, 7 days a week. Our staff was again manned by 5 lifeguards and one caretaker. Additional guards were hired for swimming instructions.

Many additions were made to the recreational area; such as a new boat, playground equipment, swimming area increased by adding 100 truck loads of sand, parking lot completed, 6 picnic tables added to the picnic area, a lifeguard tower added to the waterfront, and a high-dive on one raft.

Approximately 375 children received swimming instructions in beginners and advanced courses. Our third Annual Water Carnival was held with 200 children participating and a crowd of 1500 people in attendance.

Our plans were to improve and build a hard-top area for basketball, dancing, and winter use as a hockey rink, but this project was not completed because of lack of funds. $1,000 has been held and put aside for this project which will be completed in the spring of 1963. Our future plans are to build a large shelter as funds are available.

The area again this year was under the supervision of the Wilbraham Lions Club, resulting in no operating expense to the Town. In the past 4 years approximately $30,000 has been expended in funds on this project.

WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR., *Chairman*
ROBERT A. EDWARDS
JESSE M. CANERDY
FRANK G. SHANNIS
TRUMAN R. SWALLOW
FREDERICK J. CUMMINGS

LIONS CLUB OF WILBRAHAM

Financial Standing as of December 31, 1962

SPEC POND FUND

	Receipts	*Expense*
Cash Balance on Hand December 1, 1961	$366.44	
Amount subscribed (716 families)	5,873.00	
Policemen's Ball	75.00	
Donation	12.00	
Christadelphians	35.00	
Earned Div. Ludlow Savings Bank	26.67	
Insurance — Refund Vandals	292.60	
Cash Donation	1.35	
Concession Stand Rent	200.00	
Firemen's Ball	100.00	
Vandal — Repairs		$242.39
1960 Taxes — Bath House		64.68
Bulldozer Work		294.00
Boat		45.00
Playground Equipment		137.23
Diving Suit		20.00
Special Work — Contract		424.10
Miscellaneous		156.18
Telephone & Electric Light		88.83
Printing and Postage		186.55
Lumber and Paint		305.16
Employee Pay Roll		3,441.86
Employer Fed. Ins. FICA		107.59

Plumbing Repairs		75.41
Refund on Rent		75.00
Cash Balance on Hand		1,318.08
	$6,982.06	$6,982.06

F. J. CUMMINGS, *Treasurer*

Tree Warden

The year 1962 saw an emphasis on street tree planting by the tree warden department. During the spring, 46 seedlings were set out along the tree belts. A very dry summer may have adversely affected a few of these trees. It is hoped that townspeople fortunate enough to have young seedlings planted in front of their homes will water and care for these trees under drought conditions. In the fall an additional 34 seedlings were set out making a total of 80 trees planted in 1962. In addition, the New England Power Company planted 15 young trees on Tinkham Road and on Stony Hill Road at East Longmeadow Road where their transmission wires cross the highway.

Tree surgery and pruning of dangerous limbs was accomplished on some of our streets. During three bad wind and rain storms, tree crews supervised by the tree warden repaired damage and cleaned up nineteen storm damaged trees. Seventeen completely and partially dead trees were removed during the past year. Five trees were removed by private tree companies.

During the past two years, storm damage has demonstrated the poor condition of our large maple trees along Stony Hill Road from Springfield Street to Boston Road and South Main Street from Monson Road to the Hampden line. This is an immediate problem and we hope to start work on it early in 1963.

A stump removal program was started in 1963 whereby dangerous stumps are removed below ground level and then properly graded and seeded. We feel this program to be a necessity along our most heavily traveled roads. A stump remaining within the highway bounds is a hazard to snow plows, automobiles, and the walking public, as well as being unsightly. We hope this program will be encouraged. We cannot expect to accomplish the whole job in one or two years, however a step at a time will eventually accomplish our aims.

The year 1962 saw an aroused public resent the attempt by the electric utility company serving Wilbraham to severely cut and trim trees along a section of Stony Hill Road. At that time,

this severe cutting was the accepted practice when converting an existing distribution line to the more modern 13,000 volt line. A shade tree committee was formed composed of a representative from the utility company, a selectman, two interested citizens and the tree warden. This committee was to represent the best interests of the town and to formulate a policy to follow whenever this conversion to higher distribution voltage is planned. The committee included Clifford W. Burgess, Chairman, Clyde F. Barlow, George G. Canney, Roger T. Hintze, and Gordon R. Long. A most satisfactory result was obtained; dangerous and unsightly trees were removed and trees were planted to compensate for lost trees. We feel the character of the area has been preserved and at the same time electric service has been improved.

During the year, the regular maintenance trimming for utility wires was accomplished. The cutting was supervised closely by the tree warden. This regular maintenance trim is done on a three-year cycle and except for occasional changes in service, the trimming will not be done again until 1965.

Our aims for the future would consist of continuing an extensive tree planting program, the care and maintenance of existing shade trees, emphasizing those areas in poor condition, a continuance of the stump removal program and the supervision of line clearance crews doing utility work.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Highway Superintendent Herbert Butler as well as other town departments who have helped me during the year.

GORDON R. LONG

Veterans' Service Department Report

Classification of cases handled by this office and number of veterans involved are as follows:

	1962	*%*	*1961*	*%*
Applications for Veterans' Benefits	14		18	
Veterans' Benefits Paid:				
Ordinary benefits only	6		6	
Hospitalization and/or medical only	0		3	
Ordinary benefits, hospitalization and/or medical	3		5	
Miscellaneous — information, etc.	28		11	
Total expenditure for ordinary benefits	$2,636.35	90.7	$3,393.54	67.1
Total expenditure for hospitalization and/or medical	271.76	9.3	1,660.95	32.9
Total expenditure for Veterans' Benefits	$2,908.11	100.0	$5,054.49	100.0

Administrative expenses	22.00	78.60
Total expenditure	$2,930.11	$5,133.09
Less: Recoveries of Veterans' Benefits	1,200.00	
Net expenditure	$1,730.11	$5,133.09

During 1962 nine cases were aided. As noted above approximately 90% of the total Veterans' Benefits paid ($2,908.11) was paid for necessary living expenses and 10% was paid to meet medical expenses.

At December 31, 1962, there are three permanent cases being aided. All other cases aided were of a temporary nature. All cases aided were Wilbraham settled (5 years or more residence in Wilbraham). In view of this a net reimbursement of 50% of the total expenditure for 1962 can be expected from the State.

All veterans residing in Town are invited to avail themselves of the services of this office. Office hours are from 7:00 to 9:00 each Monday evening at the Town Hall, Center Square, East Longmeadow.

GEORGE A. DUSENBERRY, *Agent*

Water Commissioners' Report

In 1962 water system additions included 72 new installations and 2 renewals, up appreciably from the 43 new installations reported for last year. On the other hand, only 1500 feet of new water main was laid at developers' expense, compared with 5878 feet in 1961, despite a record year in new home building, which seems to illustrate that a large segment of the residential growth continues to be in areas of the town not now served by the water system.

Water usage showed a marked upswing as reflected by an eleven per cent increase in income. Debt service was down some $20,000, 1961 being the last year for payment of the 1958 water bond issue. As a result, income exceeded outgo by more than $20,000 with the surplus being transferred to the General Fund of the Town in accordance with prescribed procedures.

It is again worthy of note that existing procedures allow no accumulation of reserves by the Water Department for depreciation, expansion, or unanticipated major repairs. It is the opinion of the Board that a method should be developed to earmark funds in the General Fund for such purposes and presented for approval of the Town.

A standby, duplicate chlorinating facility was purchased and installed during the year in compliance with a directive from the Department of Public Health of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

A major objective of the Board of Water Commissioners has been the implementation, where timely, of the well engineered Master Plan for future water system development, prepared in 1961 in keeping with instructions from the Town. A public hearing, held at the Town Office early in the year, encouraged the Board to insert an article in the warrant of a special Town Meeting held in June. This article asked the Town to appropriate $4,800 for the purpose of preliminary ground water exploration. The voters of Wilbraham approved the program by appropriation of the funds, and fifteen test wells were drilled in five carefully selected locations. Significantly, three of the five sites tested show excellent possibilities of being able to support wells, each capable of producing better than one half million gallons of water daily, and one of the promising locations is on Town property.

Future plans include the immediate proving out of all three locations by further drilling and test pumping. If test results are favorable, the Board of Water Commissioners will recommend purchase by the Town of required acreage to be held as water supply reserves for the future.

W. P. Willis, *Chairman* John Gale
William R. Hannah

Public Welfare Department Report

As the District has been in existence for only six months, this report is based on statistics from July 1, 1962 through December 31, 1962.

Following is the case count for the five categories of assistance:

WILBRAHAM

Category of Assistance:	Case Count July 1, 1962	Applications July-Dec. 1962	Closed Year-1962	Active Cases Dec. 31, 1962
Old Age Assistance	28	5	3	30
Medical Assistance for the Aged	16	3	2	17
Aid to Dependent Children	6	3	2	7
Disability Assistance	4	—	1	3
General Relief	4	2	—	6
Total	58	13	8	63

EAST LONGMEADOW-WILBRAHAM WELFARE DISTRICT

Since the effective date of the combination of the two Towns, the office located in East Longmeadow has serviced the needs of recipients from both Towns. The complete cooperation evidenced by the people of Wilbraham and the assistance given by the Board of Selectmen has made the transition from a one Town Department to a District of two Towns both effective and efficient.

The functions of the District are supervised by a Prudential Committee composed of one member of the Board of Selectmen from each Town. We are grateful to the present Prudential Committee members Mr. Gerard Pellegrini, East Longmeadow and Mr. Roger Hintze, Wilbraham for their able and untiring efforts to maintain a successful operation of the District.

Advantages derived by the formation of a Welfare District are the sharing of the Administrative expenditures on a pro-rated basis — according to the number of active cases in each Town. Because of the expansion of the Public Assistance Programs, it was no longer practical for a one person office to carry on the social service work and administrative duties required by these new categories. At the present time, as a result of the two Towns combining, the office staff servicing the two communities consists of a Director, Clerk and Social Worker.

To Miss Boden, former Director of Public Welfare, we wish to extend our sincere appreciation for her very able assistance, which she gave so willingly, to insure a successful District Office for the residents of Wilbraham.

HELEN M. SWEENEY, *Director*

Report of Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 10, 1962

In accordance with the warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Minnechaug High School Auditorium, Wilbraham.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Ernest W. Furnans, Jr., at 10:00 a.m. The following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator: Dudley N. Hartt, Jr., Chief Teller; George G. Canney, Harold Swetland, Henry P. Baush, Walter

Johnson, Joseph P. Mell, Robert J. LaBroad, Thomas F. Gallagher. It was noted that a quorum was present.

ARTICLE 1. Town Officers elected by unanimous vote were as follows: Poundkeeper, David E. Brehaut; Measurers of Wood and Charcoal, Walter H. Clark, Edward P. Lindsay; Surveyors of Lumber, Walter H. Clark, Jesse L. Rice; Field Drivers, Peter Presz, Leonard F. VonFlatern, Sr., Benjamin F. Griffin; Weighers of Grain, Weldon Jameson, Jesse L. Rice.

ARTICLE 2. Voted unanimously that the Town accept the reports of the Selectmen, the Board of Public Welfare, the School Department, Town Collector, Town Treasurer, Water Department, Assessors, Town Clerk, Civil Defense and other Town officials and committees as printed in the Town Report.

ARTICLE 3. Voted unanimously to fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1962 and ending March 31, 1963 as follows: Town Clerk, $2,340.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,340.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meetings, $15.00 Special Town Meetings; Town Collector, $4,004.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden $1.75 per hour (includes use of car); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00 per year, Chairman, $650.00; Assessors, $1.50 per hour (includes use of car when needed); Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; Auditor, $200.00 per year; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. Voted unanimously that the Town's share of the Dog Tax for 1961, $1,049.53, be added to the Library Appropriation under Article 5.

ARTICLE 5. Voted unanimously that the Town accept the report of the Finance Committee and raise and appropriate the sum of $1,423,342.87 to cover the necessary operating expenses of the Town for the ensuing year as follows: GENERAL GOVERN-

MENT — Selectmen, $7,761.00; Accounting Department, $5,700.00; Town Treasurer, $4,898.00; Town Treasurer — Land Court, $50.00; Town Collector, $7,866.00; Board of Assessors, $10,813.00; Town Clerk, $3,659.00; Legal, $1,700.00; Elections and Town Meeting Expense, $1,730.00; Registrars of Voters, $1,050.00; Planning Board, $747.00; Town Office and Building Maintenance, $5,500.00; Town Auditor, $200.00. PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY — Police Department, $26,633.00; Fire Department, $23,904.00; Pest Control, $1,200.00; Dead Wood, $3,500.00; Forest Warden, $900.00; Aid to Agriculture, $100.00; Tree Warden, $3,000.00; Civil Defense, $1,154.93; Dog Officer, $150.00; Building Inspector, $2,450.00; Wiring Inspector, $1,250.00; Sealer of Weights and Measures, $325.00; Board of Appeals, $397.00. HEALTH AND SANITATION — Board of Health, $7,290.00; Dental Clinic, $1,050.00; Mosquito Control, $2,600.00; Inspector of Animals, $65.00; Inspector of Slaughtering, $50.00. HIGHWAYS — Highway Department, $55,172.00; Road Machinery Operating Account, $7,300.00; Street Lights, $8,000.00. CHARITIES — Department of Public Welfare, $3,296.00; Aid: General Relief, $11,000.00; Old Age Assistance, $23,000.00; Aid to Dependent Children, $3,000.00; Disability Assistance, $2,000.00. SOLDIERS' BENEFITS — Veterans' Services, including Aid, $6,000.00. SCHOOLS — Local, $595,443.00; Hampden-Wilbraham Regional, $360,777.17. LIBRARY — $22,132.47. RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS — Parks, $600.00; Playgrounds, $2,650.00; Community Program, $6,000.00; Memorial and Independence Day, $250.00. PENSIONS — Assessment, Hampden County Retirement System, $9,781.80. UNCLASSIFIED — Printing Town Reports, $3,000.00; Insurance and Bonding, $8,500.00; Industrial Development Committtee, $1,000.00. PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE — Water Department, Maintenance, $27,150.00. CEMETERIES — $2,800.00. MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST — Maturing Debt, School Bonds, $100,000.00; Water Bonds, $15,000.00. Maturing Interest, School Bonds, $18,942.50; Water Bonds, $1,755.00; Temporary Loan Interest, $1,000.00.

NOTE: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m., after noon recess. The Moderator appointed and swore in Andrew G. Duzsik as teller to replace Thomas F. Gallagher.

At this point Mr. Hintze paid the following tribute to Mr. Albert E. Neale for his outstanding work on the Finance Committee. Mr. Albert Howes made a motion, which was seconded, that this tribute be made a permanent part of these minutes.

"I would like to pay tribute to a very lovable man, a member of the Finance Committee, by the name of Mr. Neale, who has very, very carefully worked out these financial statements for your convenience. On page 105 for instance, you will see where the money comes from. The Cash Disbursements for various departments on which we have been previously talking, you will find on page 113. Again on page 99, the breakdown of recommendations for 1962. It is inconceivable the amount of time, work and effort this man has put into this account, particularly in segregating salaries and expenses for the budget for the coming year. You will recall last year we voted on a single amount and had no idea how it was arrived at. He has also, on page 128, shown us the Non-Appropriation Expenditures and where they come from and a recap of Estimated Receipts on page 129.

I would ask that Mr. Neale stand and take a bow."

Article 6. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $7,878.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway work, and that in addition the sum of $17,325.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

A motion for an amendment to this article was made and seconded that the Selectmen appoint a committee of five members to study the feasibility of forming a Public Works Department or Highway Commissioners, and report back at the next annual town meeting. This motion was voted and defeated.

Article 7. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to meet the Town's share of

the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance and that, in addition, the sum of $4,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 8. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $6,303.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction, and that, in addition, the sum of $18,900.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 9. Voted unanimously that the Town appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,500.00 to pay the Garbage Collector, the receipts from garbage collection subscribers to be restored as received by the Town Collector to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 10. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 to pay the 1962 portion of the cost of the Assessors' Revaluation Program, under contract authorized at the last annual town meeting.

Article 11. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 to be expended under the joint supervision of the Planning Board and the Board of Assessors for the preparation of maps and plans for the use of said Planning Board and Board of Assessors.

Article 12. Voted by a majority that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen acting as the Board of Public Welfare to enter into a Welfare District or combination contract with the Town of East Longmeadow under the provisions of Chapter 118B of the General Laws and upon such terms as said Board in its own discretion shall deem to be for the best interests of the Town of Wilbraham.

Article 13. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 to purchase a cruiser for the use of the Wilbraham Police, said sum representing the net cost to the Town after deducting the turn-in value of the present cruiser.

Article 14. Voted unanimously that the Town appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $700.00 to purchase mowing equipment for the use of the Highway Department, said sum representing the net cost to the Town after deducting the turn-in value of the present mowing equipment.

Article 15. Voted unanimously that the Town appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $825.00 to purchase a snow plow for the use of the Highway Department.

Article 16. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $3,285.00 and that, in addition, the sum of $4,975.00 be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund to purchase a 2½ ton truck with two-way radio for the use of the Highway Department.

Article 17. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Rochford Drive, as shown on the subdivision plan of "Scenic Park" drawn by Durkee, White, Towne & Chapdelaine dated April 12, 1962, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Tinkham Road and running southerly for a distance of 1730 feet more or less.

Article 18. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Russell Road, as shown on the plan of lots, South Easterly Section of Oak Ridge drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates, dated January 1957, and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Arbor Lane running southerly for a distance of 705 feet more or less.

Article 19. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Pidgeon Drive, as shown on subdivision plan of Shady Acres, drawn by G. M. Granger and N. F. Pigeon, dated January, 1960, and filed with

the Planning Board, beginning at the intersection of Main Street and running westerly for a distance of 1378 feet more or less.

Article 20. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Mohawk Street, as shown on subdivision plan as drawn by Durkee, White, Towne and Chapdelaine, Section B dated May, 1961 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Linwood Drive and running southerly for a distance of 200 feet more or less.

Article 21. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Edward Street, as shown on subdivision plan drawn by Cobb, Beesley and Miles, dated June, 1953 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Fairview Road and running easterly to Mountainbrook Road for a distance of 512 feet more or less.

Article 22. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Mountainbrook Road, as shown on subdivision plan drawn by Cobb, Beesley and Miles, dated June, 1953 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Tinkham Road and running southerly for a distance of 1616 feet more or less.

Article 23. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Fairview Road, as shown on subdivision plan drawn by Cobb, Beesley and Miles, dated June, 1953 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Tinkham Road and running southerly for a distance of 1315 feet more or less.

Article 24. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Linwood Drive as shown on subdivision plan drawn by Durkee, White, Towne and Chapdelaine dated July, 1960 — Section "A" — and Section "B" — dated May, 1961 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion and running easterly thence northerly for a distance of 740 feet more or less.

Article 25. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Oxford Drive, as

shown on subdivision plan as drawn by Durkee, White, Towne and Chapdelaine, Section "B", dated May 1961 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion and running easterly for a distance of 157 feet more or less.

ARTICLE 26. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Longview Drive, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by Smith and Wallen Engineering Co., Inc. dated March, 1959 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Tinkham Road and running southerly for a distance of 1118 feet more or less.

ARTICLE 27. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Katie Street, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by Smith and Wallen Engineering Co., Inc. dated March, 1959 and filed with the Planning Board beginning at Longview Drive and running easterly for a distance of 516 feet more or less.

ARTICLE 28. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Becker Street, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by Smith and Wallen Engineering Co., Inc. dated March, 1959 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Longview Drive and running easterly for a distance of 493 feet more or less.

ARTICLE 29. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Brooklawn Road, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates, dated July, 1954 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion and extending northerly for a distance of 1362 feet more or less, and that the sum of $410.00 be raised and appropriated for construction of said Brooklawn Road, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 30. Voted by a majority that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Ely Road, as shown on a plan drawn by Cobb, Beesley and Miles dated October, 1950 and filed in the Assessors' Office, beginning at a point on Ridge Road and running easterly for a distance of 382 feet more

or less; then southerly for a distance of 425 feet more or less, and that the sum of $2,856.78 be raised and appropriated for construction of said Ely Road, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws.

Article 31. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Joan Street, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates, dated July, 1954 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Brooklawn Road and running easterly for a distance of 480 feet more or less and westerly for a distance of 319 feet more or less — a total of 799 feet more or less, and that the sum of $239.70 be raised and appropriated for construction of said Joan Street, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws.

Article 32. Voted unanimously that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Shirley Street, as shown on the subdivision plan drawn by C. E. Anderson Associates, dated June, 1955 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at Brooklawn Road and running easterly for a distance of 221.46 feet, thence westerly for a distance of 400 feet, making a total of 621 feet more or less, and that the sum of $186.30 be raised and appropriated for construction of said Shirley Street, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws.

Article 33. Voted by a majority that the Town accept as a public way the private way now known as Railroad Avenue, as shown on a plan drawn by Francis O. Bready dated November, 1958 and filed with the Planning Board, beginning at the now accepted portion and running northerly for a distance of 396 feet more or less, and that the sum of $898.92 be raised and appropriated for construction of said Railroad Avenue, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws.

Article 34. Voted by a majority to take no action on this article.

Article 35. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $5,250.00 to resurface Main Street, from Boston Road to Merrill Road.

Article 36. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $5,400.00 to resurface Main Street, from Bulkley Road to Woodland Dell Road.

Article 37. Voted by a majority not to amend town by-laws to provide that the Annual Town Election of Town Officers to be chosen thereat be held on the first Saturday of March each year and that all matters to be considered at the Annual Town Meeting, other than the election of town officers, shall be in order only at a town meeting held within thirty days after the date of the Annual Town Election, the date thereof to be determined by the Selectmen.

Article 38. Voted unanimously that the town amend the by-laws by striking out Article 4, Section 16 and substituting therefor a new Section 16 to read as follows:

> "Section 16. Any person violating any of the provisions of the town by-laws shall be punished by a fine not to exceed $20.00 for each offense, unless otherwise provided by the General Laws or by a particular by-law."

Article 39. Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $10,500.00 to purchase an ambulance, such vehicle to be assigned to the custody and use of the Wilbraham Fire Department under such operating rules and regulations as may, from time to time, be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 40. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000.00 and that, in addition, the sum of $45,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund.

Article 41. Voted unanimously that the Town appropriate and transfer the sum of $10,000.00 from the Overlay Surplus

Account and the sum of $10,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury for a Reserve Fund.

Article 42. Voted unanimously that the Town appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $11,000.00 for new water installations, the cost of which is to be collected by the Town from those requesting such installations and restored to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 43. Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey in the name of and on behalf of the Town, a certain parcel of land situate on the north side of Boston Road, taken by eminent domain by Order adopted by the Board of Selectmen on March 22, 1961 as described in Order of Taking dated March 29, 1961 and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 2799, Page 169, to State Line Potato Chip Company, Incorporated, sometimes known as State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc., said parcel being no longer needed for the purposes for which it was taken.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	122
Opposed	0

Article 44. Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, or to acquire by purchase or otherwise, for park, playground and recreational purposes the fee simple in land, together with all trees thereon if any, and structures affixed thereto, if any, situated in the Town and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a concrete bound on the northerly line of Boston Road, said Northerly line being as shown on an alteration plan of Boston Road recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 35, Pages 110 to 112 inclusive at Page 112; and from said point of beginning running thence N. 02° 46′ 50″ E. by land of State Line Potato Chip Company, Incorporated, sometimes known as State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc., six hundred fifty-four and 43/100 (654.43) feet to a concrete bound in the Southerly line of lot three (3) as shown on Land Court Plan 26520B filed in the Land Registration Office for the Regis-

try District of Hampden County with Certificate of Title #9971; thence S. 87° 55′ 10″ E., ten hundred thirty-one and 33/100 (1031.33) feet to a concrete bound at the Southeasterly corner of said lot three (3); thence S. 46° 35′ 40″ W., nine hundred seventy-one and 65/100 (971.65) feet to a concrete bound on said Northerly line of Boston Road located at the Easterly end of a curve with a radius of six hundred forty (640) feet; thence Westerly along said Northerly line of Boston Road, by said curve, a distance of two hundred eighty-nine and 38/100 (289.38) feet to an iron pin at the Westerly end of said curve; and thence N. 70° 49′ 10″ W. along said Northerly line of Boston Road, sixty-five (65) feet to the concrete bound at the point of beginning.

All as shown on an unrecorded plan entitled Vicinity of Spectacle Pond, Wilbraham, Massachusetts dated January 1, 1962 by C. E. Anderson Associates, Civil Engineers, plan number 1292-01.

Excepting and reserving to the State Line Potato Chip Company, Incorporated, sometimes known as State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc., the right to use, for all purposes of a public street, the access road ten (10) feet wide as shown on said Land Court plan from said Northerly line of Boston Road to said Southerly line of said lot three (3) and also a ten (10) foot strip of land from the Westerly line of the above described premises to said access road along the Southerly line of said lot three (3), the Southerly line of the last described ten (10) foot strip shall be ten (10) feet Southerly from and parallel to the Southerly line of said lot three (3).

Said premises are supposed to be owned by State Line Potato Chip Company, Incorporated, sometimes known as State Line Potato Chip Co., Inc.

(⅔ vote required)	
In favor	120
Opposed	0

Article 45. Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town 14 days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure,

provided the Selectmen, or whomsoever they authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

ARTICLE 46. Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town.

ARTICLE 47. Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1962, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 48. Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the polls, personal properties and real estate of the Town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m. until 8:30 a.m., Saturday, March 17, 1962 at Memorial School when the Annual Town Elections will be held.

Attest: DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

Report of Special Town Meeting

JUNE 18, 1962

In accordance with the warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Wilbraham Memorial School Auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Ernest W. Furnans, Jr. at 8 p.m. with more than 20 voters present which constituted a quorum and took recess until the people who were at the door were seated.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 12 at the March 10, 1962 Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously that the Town rescind the vote taken under Article 12 at the March 10, 1962 Annual Town Meeting.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract or contracts with one or more towns or combinations of Towns in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 118B of the General Laws as amended, to form a Welfare District, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract or contracts with one or more towns or combinations of Towns in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 118B of the General Laws as amended, to form a Welfare District.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of $4,800 or any other sum, to be spent by the Water Department in conducting the first phase of a ground water exploration program in various areas within the limits of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted that the Town appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of $4,800 to be spent by the Water Department in conducting the first phase of a ground water exploration program in various areas within the limits of the Town.

The following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator and a count taken on this article: George G. Canney, Joseph P. Mell, Robert J. LaBroad and Mansfield W. Williams.

In favor	298
Opposed	147

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, or to acquire by purchase or otherwise, for school purposes, as recommended by the 1962 School Survey Committee; the fee simple in land, together with all trees thereon and structures affixed thereto, if any, the land numbered 635 Main Street in said Wilbraham bounded

and described as set forth in Exhibit B, entitled "Property of Herman C. Heiden for School Purposes" dated June 8, 1962 and recorded with the Town Clerk.

Said premises are supposed to be owned by Herman C. Heiden.

And to raise and appropriate $20,000 or any other sum therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, and/or acquire by purchase, for school purposes, as recommended by the 1962 School Survey Committee; the fee simple in land, together with all trees thereon and structures affixed thereto, if any, the land numbered 635 Main Street in said Wilbraham bounded and described as set forth in Exhibit B, entitled "Property of Herman C. Heiden for School Purposes" dated June 8, 1962 and recorded with the Town Clerk.

Said premises are supposed to be owned by Herman C. Heiden.

And to raise and appropriate $18,700 which includes purchase price and demolition of buildings as per contract.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	378
Opposed	19

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of $4,290.34 or any other sum, from the Preliminary School Planning Funds appropriated at the Town Meeting of June 16, 1960, to the Pines School Addition Fund appropriated at the Town Meeting of March 11, 1961; and to authorize the School Building Committee appointed by the Selectmen on June 16, 1960, to be empowered, on behalf of the Town, to expend same in the construction, equipping, and furnishing of the Pines School Addition as authorized by the Town Meeting of March 11, 1961, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the transfer of $4,290.34 from the Preliminary School Planning Funds appropriated at the Town Meeting of June 16, 1960, to the Pines School Addition Fund appropriated at the Town Meeting of March 11, 1961; and authorize the School Building Committee appointed by the Selectmen on June 16,

1960, to be empowered, on behalf of the Town, to expend same in the construction, equipping, and furnishing of the Pines School Addition as authorized by the Town Meeting of March 11, 1961.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $14,500 or any other sum, to re-roof the classroom section and connecting passageway of the Stony Hill School addition, and authorize the Wilbraham School Committee, in the name of the Town of Wilbraham, to engage professional assistance, enter into contracts, and expend this appropriation for the purpose stated, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $14,500 to re-roof the classroom section and connecting passageway of the Stony Hill School addition, and authorize the Wilbraham School Committee, in the name of the Town of Wilbraham, to engage professional assistance, enter into contracts, and expend this appropriation for the purpose stated, and further to require the School Committee to submit to Town Counsel for approval the contract involved. This vote amended the original article.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Wilbraham School Committee to revise upward, the specifications of the roof of the Stony Hill School addition as originally established by the School Building Committee, and employ professional assistance in the revision of specifications and supervision of work, and enter into contracts for the repair of the Stony Hill School addition roof, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously that the Town authorize the Wilbraham School Committee to revise upward, the specifications of the roof of the Stony Hill School addition as originally established by the School Building Committee, and employ professional assistance in the revision of specifications and supervision of work, and enter into contracts for the repair of the Stony Hill School addition roof.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500 or any other sum, to be used by the

Bicentennial Celebration Committee in making preliminary arrangements for the Bicentennial Celebration in 1963, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500 to be used by the Bicentennial Celebration Committee in making preliminary arrangements for the Bicentennial Celebration in 1963.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	282
Opposed	47

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by adding to Section 13 the following paragraph:

Paragraph 9. A Fallout Shelter is permitted as accessory use provided it is located not less than 25 feet from any street line and not less than 3 feet from the rear lot line. The minimum distances for side yards as specified in Section 12 must be observed. The location of such a shelter is subject to Board of Health regulations concerning its location with respect to the area occupied by a septic tank or the leaching field.

It shall not be lawful to construct a Fallout Shelter without first filing with the Building Inspector an application in writing and obtaining a permit.

The occupancy of a Fallout Shelter is restricted to emergency use during a period when the fallout index is determined to be unsafe for human habitation.

Such a shelter will be subject to annual inspection. If it is officially determined that there is no further need for such shelter, it must be dismantled and property restored to its original condition within 1 year of the receipt of such notice.

Voted by a majority that the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws by adding to Section 13 the following paragraph:

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Such a shelter will be subject to annual inspection. If it is officially determined that there is no further need for such shelter, it must be dismantled and property restored to its original condition within 1 year of the receipt of such notice.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	352
Opposed	40

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by changing from "Residence A" to "Business," land located on the Southwesterly corner of Boston Road and Crane Hill Road in said Wilbraham bounded and described as follows: Northerly by Boston Road, 569.20 feet more or less; Easterly by Crane Hill Road, 260.84 feet more or less; Southerly by land now or formerly of Boston and Albany Railroad, 586.60 feet more or less, and Westerly by land now or formerly of Collins Manufacturing Company 268.75 feet more or less. Now supposedly owned by Stephania Moroz.

Voted by a majority that the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws by changing from "Residence A" to "Business," land located on the Southwesterly corner of Boston Road and Crane Hill Road in said Wilbraham bounded and described as follows:

Northerly by Boston Road, 569.20 feet more or less; Easterly by Crane Hill Road, 260.84 feet more or less; Southerly by land now or formerly of Boston and Albany Railroad, 586.60 feet more or less, and Westerly by land now or formerly of Collins Manufacturing Company 268.75 feet more or less.

Now supposedly owned by Stephania Moroz.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	315
Opposed	114

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws, in the following respects:

I. 1. Delete subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of Section 5, Neighborhood Shopping Districts and substitute therefor the following:

"(2) A building, structure or establishment, the major object or use of which shall be to store and display goods, for sale at retail on the premises only, or to furnish a service intended for the residents of the area, which object or use shall be such as the following:

General store, grocery store and drug store, market, barber shop and beauty shop, restaurant, luncheonette, tea-room, or any combination of the above, business or professional offices; or any other object or use which will comply with the intent of this paragraph and with the provisions of paragraph 2 Section 6 of these By-Laws."

II. To further amend Section 5 of these By-Laws by adding a new paragraph after paragraph (f) to read as follows:

"(g) OFF-STREET PARKING — On and after the effective date of this amendment, any lot in a Neighborhood Shopping District on which a business structure is to be constructed, shall henceforth contain paved parking facilities on the same lot, in the ratio of not less than two square feet of parking area for each one square foot of usable area in such business structures. Any basement area need not be counted in the above ratio."

III. Delete subparagraph (2) (f) of Section 5 as no longer applicable.

IV. 2. By adding a new paragraph after paragraph 5 Section 6, BUSINESS DISTRICTS, to read as follows:

6. OFF-STREET PARKING — On and after the effective date of this amendment, any lot in a Business District, on which a business structure is to be constructed, shall henceforth contain paved parking facilities on the same lot, in the ratio of not less than two square feet of parking area for each one square foot of usable area in such business structure. Any basement area need not be counted in the above ratio.

Voted by a majority to table an amendment to the Zoning By-Laws in the following respects:

I. 1. Delete subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of Section 5, Neighborhood Shopping Districts and substitute therefor the following:

"(2) A building, structure or establishment, the major object or use of which shall be to store and display goods, for sale at retail on the premises only, or to furnish a service intended for the residents of the area, which object or use shall be such as the following:

General store, grocery store and drug store, market, barber shop and beauty shop, restaurant, luncheonette, tea-room, or any combination of the above, business or professional offices; or any other object or use which will comply with the intent of this paragraph and with the provisions of paragraph 2 Section 6 of these By-Laws."

II. To further amend Section 5 of these By-Laws by adding a new paragraph after paragraph (f) to read as follows:

"(g) OFF-STREET PARKING — On and after the effective date of this amendment, any lot in a Neighborhood Shopping District on which a business structure is to be constructed, shall henceforth contain paved parking facilities on the same lot, in the ratio of not less than two square feet of parking area for each one square foot of usable area in such business structures. Any basement area need not be counted in the above ratio."

III. Delete subparagraph (2) (f) of Section 5 as no longer applicable.

IV. 2. By adding a new paragraph after paragraph 5 Section 6, BUSINESS DISTRICTS, TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

6. OFF-STREET PARKING — On and after the effective date of this amendment, any lot in a Business District, on which a business structure is to be

constructed, shall henceforth contain paved parking facilities on the same lot, in the ratio of not less than two square feet of parking area for each one square foot of usable area in such business structure. Any basement area need not be counted in the above ratio.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	366
Opposed	42

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to approve in principle the development in the future of a "Village Green" as recommended by the Center Development Study Committee in its report dated May 29, 1962 to the Board of Selectmen, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.

Voted by a majority that the report of the Center Development Study Committee dated May 29, 1962 be filed with the Selectmen to be submitted to the Planning Board for consideration with the long range Plan and that the Center Development Study Committee be dissolved.

In favor	373
Opposed	4

This vote amended the original article.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to approve in principle the establishment of a Massachusetts Real Estate Trust for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wilbraham to be more fully outlined and explained at this Special Town Meeting and as outlined in the *Springfield Daily News* of Tuesday, June 5, 1962; none of which in any way would bind or obligate the Town.

Voted by a majority to take no action.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to re-zone the land lying Easterly of Main Street and Northerly of Woodland Dell Road in Wilbraham, as further bounded and described in a land description entitled "Exhibit A, Center Development" dated June 7, 1962 and filed with the Town Clerk; from Residence A-1 to Neighborhood Shopping District.

Voted by a majority to take no action.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, or to acquire by purchase or otherwise, the fee simple in the following described parcels of land situated in said Wilbraham for park purposes and for the purpose of sites for future Town building or buildings, together with all trees thereon, if any, and structures affixed thereto, if any:

PARCEL 1: Land supposed to be owned by the First Congregational Church of Wilbraham numbered 480 Main Street as shown on an unrecorded plan entitled "Plan of Land, Wilbraham, Mass. by Merrill and Sears, Civil Engineers, Springfield, Mass., dated June 25, 1949" or as otherwise bounded and described by deeds recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds or by other surveys.

PARCEL 2: Land supposed to be owned by Wilbraham United Church adjoining Parcel 1 on the East as further bounded and described in a deed dated October 4, 1956 from J. Loring Brooks, Jr., recorded in said Registry Book 2501, Page 591, or as otherwise bounded and described by deeds so recorded or by survey.

And to raise and appropriate the sum of $7,700, or any other sum for parcel one, or take any other action relative thereto.

And to raise and appropriate the sum of $1, or any other sum for parcel two, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously to take no action.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws from "Residence A" to "Neighborhood Shopping District" land located on the Westerly side of Main Street in said Wilbraham and being numbered 455 to 457 Main Street with a frontage on Main Street of 156.75 feet as more particularly bounded and described in a deed from Everett W. Graham, et al to Maitland K. Shults, et al dated May 21, 1958 and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 2608, Page 329.

Now supposedly owned by said Maitland K. Shults, et al.

Voted by a majority to take no action.

In favor	150
Opposed	102

Article 17. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the polls, personal properties, and real estate of the Town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 1:15 a.m.

Attest: Doris G. Cochran, *Town Clerk*

Report of Special Town Meeting

SEPTEMBER 10, 1962

In accordance with the warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Wilbraham Memorial School Auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Ernest W. Furnans, Jr. at 8:00 p.m. with more than 20 voters present which constituted a quorum.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a School Building Committee with power and authority to enter into a contract for preparation of preliminary and final plans and specifications and to secure bids for a 12 room elementary school on the Heiden parcel of land on Main Street, in addition to any and all other normal powers and duties of a School Building Committee and also to authorize the Board of Selectmen to fill any vacancies that may occur in said Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town authorize the Selectmen to appoint a School Building Committee with power and authority to enter into a contract for preparation of preliminary and final plans and specifications and to secure bids for a 12 room elementary school on the Heiden parcel of land on Main Street, in addition to any and all other normal powers and duties of a School Building Committee and also to authorize the Board of Selectmen to fill any vacancies that may occur in said Committee, and provided that said Committee will be instructed by the Selectmen to

hold a public hearing on such plans prior to completion of final plans. This vote amended the original article.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $23,000, or any other sum, for the purpose of carrying the said elementary school project of the preceding article to the completion of bids stage, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $23,000 for the purpose of carrying the said elementary school project of the preceding article to the completion of bids stage.

ARTICLE 3. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting, unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the polls, personal properties, and real estate of the Town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p. m.

Attest: DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

Report of Special Town Meeting

DECEMBER 10, 1962

In accordance with the Warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Wilbraham Memorial School Auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Ernest W. Furnans, Jr. at 8:00 p.m. with more than 20 voters present which constituted a quorum.

A resolution was presented with reference to an Article petitioned for and omitted from the Warrant by the Selectmen on advice of Town Counsel. The Moderator ruled this resolution out of order.

At this point the following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator to count the vote to be taken on the Moderator's decision on the resolution: William Miller, Bruce Stephens, Stanley Los, and Thomas Gallagher.

In favor	167
Opposed	66

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend the by-laws Article 2, Section 3 to read as follows: at any Town Meeting for the transaction of business other than the election of Town Officers, a Quorum shall consist of three (3) per cent of the total registered number of voters as certified by the Town Clerk, provided that a number less than a Quorum may adjourn same, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town By-Laws Article 2, Section 3 not be amended to read as follows: at any Town Meeting for the transaction of business other than the election of Town Officers, a Quorum shall consist of three (3) per cent of the total registered number of voters as certified by the Town Clerk, provided that a number less than a Quorum may adjourn same.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $2,500 or any other sum to be used by the Bicentennial Celebration Committee in making preliminary arrangements for the Bicentennial Celebration in 1963, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted that the Town transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $2,500 to be used by the Bicentennial Celebration Committee in making preliminary arrangements for the Bicentennial Celebration in 1963.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	179
Opposed	47

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $27,058 or any other sum to cover the cost of resurfacing 6,300 feet, more or less, on Springfield Street and 5,000 feet, more or less, on Main Street, on condition that the Federal Government's 50% share, under the Federal Works Acceleration Program is granted, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $27,058 to cover the cost of resurfacing 6,300 feet, more or less, on Springfield Street and 5,000 feet, more or less, on Main Street on condition that the Federal Government's 50% share, under the Federal Works Acceleration

Program is granted, with $8,528.54 and $13,529 to be added to unappropriated available funds in the treasury upon their receipt from the State under Chapter 782, Acts of 1962, and the Federal Government, respectively.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow $174,100 or any other sum under Chapter 44 of the General Laws, to be spent under the direction of the Water Commissioners for the construction of a water storage tank and related pipe lines with appurtenances, and for the purchase of the necessary land therefor, on condition that the Federal Government's share, amounting to 50% of costs other than for land, under the Federal Works Acceleration Program is granted, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted that the Town not raise and appropriate and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow $174,100 under Chapter 44 of the General Laws, to be spent under the direction of the Water Commissioners for the construction of a water storage tank and related pipe lines with appurtenances, and for the purchase of the necessary land therefor, on condition that the Federal Government's share, amounting to 50% of costs other than for land, under the Federal Works Acceleration Program is granted, with the funds received from the Federal Government to be added upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	54
Opposed	136

Dr. William Dale appointed and sworn in by Moderator to replace Thomas Gallagher.

ARTICLE 5. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the polls, personal properties, and real estate of the Town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 p. m.

Attest: DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN, ss.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Wilbraham in the County of Hampden:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilbraham qualified to vote in elections of Town Officers, to meet in Wilbraham Memorial School in said Town on Saturday, the twenty-third day of March, A.D., 1963 at 8:30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the election of officers of said Town, for the following offices, to wit:

To choose a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Town Collector, a Tree Warden, and an Auditor for the ensuing year; one Selectman for three years who shall be a member of the Board of Public Welfare and Board of Health; one Assessor for three years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one cemetery Commissioner for three years; one Library Trustee for three years; two School Committee Members for three years; one School Committee Member for one year; one Member of the Regional School Committee for three years; one Member of the Planning Board for five years; one Member of the Planning Board for two years. The polls shall open at 8:30 a.m. and shall close at 6:30 p.m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Wilbraham, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in Minnechaug Regional High School in said Town on Saturday, the sixteenth day of March, A.D., 1963 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles; viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose one Poundkeeper; two Measurers of Wood and Charcoal; two Surveyors of Lumber; three Field Drivers; two Weighers of Grain — all for the term of one year.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer and other officers or committees.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1963 and ending March 31, 1964.

ARTICLE 3. Recommend that compensation for elected Town Officers be fixed as follows: Town Clerk, $2,600.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,340.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meetings, $15.00 Special Town Meetings; Town Collector, $4,264.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden, $1.75 per hour (includes use of car); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00 per year, Chairman, $650.00; Assessors, $1.50 per hour (includes use of car when needed); Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; Auditor, $200.00 per year; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Tax of 1962.

ARTICLE 4. Recommend $1,107.74 be added to the Library Appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee together with the appropriations recommended by them and to raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for defraying the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and appropriate the same and vote how the same shall be raised. (See page 114)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,125.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway Work, and that in addition the sum of $17,875.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon

their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. Recommend.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and that in addition the sum of $5,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. Recommend.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction, and that in addition the sum of $19,500.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. Recommend.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,500.00 or any other sum, to pay the garbage collector, with receipts from garbage collection subscribers to be restored as received by the Town Collector to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. Recommend.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,320.00 to cover the third annual installment to the professional firm of appraisers under contract approved

at the last Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. Recommend.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 or any other sum, to be expended under the joint supervision of the Planning Board and the Board of Assessors for the preparation of maps and plans for the use of said Planning Board and Board of Assessors, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. Recommend.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way that portion of Pease Street not previously accepted as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, and that the sum of $1,128.00 or any other sum, be raised and appropriated for construction of said Pease Street, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. Recommend.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Lee Lane, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Scenic Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way that portion of Decorie Drive not already accepted, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Cedar Oak Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Circle Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Mark Twain Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Poe Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Longfellow Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Hawthorne Road, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $725.00 or any other sum, to purchase a snow plow for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. Recommend.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $3,500.00 or any other sum, to purchase a power broom for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. Recommend.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate $9,724.00 or any other sum, to construct a sidewalk on the east side of South Main Street from Woodland Dell Road to the entrance to the high school, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. Recommend.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,600.00 or any other sum, to resurface South Main Street from Woodland Dell Road to Tinkham Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 25. Recommend.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,300.00 or any other sum, toward the cost of underwriting the publication of a history of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. Not recommended.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to become a member of the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission under the provisions of Chapter 40B of the General Laws and raise and appropriate $600.00 or any other sum, to cover the cost of membership, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to establish a "By-Laws Study Committee" (consisting of 5 members with a Secretary to be appointed by the Selectmen, such committee to include one Selectman, one Planning Board member, and one Appeals Board member) to study revision and up-dating of the By-Laws and Ordinances for the Town of Wilbraham and further to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for the necessary expenses of the "By-Laws Study Committee," or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 28. Recommend.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide the sum of $602,000.00 or any other sum, for the purpose of constructing, equipping, and furnishing a 12 room elementary school with cafeteria and auxiliary facilities on land numbered 635 Main Street and owned by the town, and that to meet said appropriation the sum of $183,000.00 or any other sum, be transferred from the Stabilization Fund; $10,523.51 or any other sum, be transferred from the Memorial School Building account; the sum of $96,476.49 or any other sum, be raised from taxation or transferred from available funds in the treasury, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of $312,000.00 or any other sum, under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from the date of issue of the first bond or note, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 29. Recommend.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Building Committee, appointed by the Selectmen September 12, 1962 to be empowered, on behalf of the Town, to proceed with the construction of the new elementary school, and to enter into any and all contracts or agreements necessary to construct, equip and furnish such school building, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. Recommend $45,000.00 be transferred from available funds and $30,000.00 be raised from taxation.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 or any other sum for a Reserve Fund; $10,000.00 to be transferred from available funds in the treasury and $10,000.00 to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 32. Recommend.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $8,280.00 or any other sum, to be spent by the Water Department for additional household and business installations for water service, the cost of which is to be collected by the Town from the individuals or concerns requesting installations, and which is returned to surplus funds, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 33. Recommend.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,350.00 or any other sum, to be used by the Bicentennial Celebration Committee in carrying out a program for the Bicentennial Celebration in 1963, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. Recommend.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a new Town Seal and hear a report relative thereto.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain a parcel of land for cemetery purposes lying on the Northerly side of Monson Road, in Wilbraham, bounded and described as follows:

> Southerly by Monson Road 160'; Easterly by the presently existing Glendale Cemetery; Northerly by the Northerly line of said Glendale Cemetery extended Westerly 160'; and Westerly by land of one Samble,

and for the purposes of confirming title and location thereof, to authorize the Selectmen in their discretion to take by eminent domain the presently existing Glendale Cemetery, and to appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 or any other sum, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 36. Recommend.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,860.00 or any other sum, to extend the 6" water main on South Main Street a distance of 135 feet more or less, with a 12" main which will ultimately become a part of a main extension to serve the south end of town, and will be made

under the provisions of Article 27 approved at the Annual Town Meeting on March 14, 1959 providing for betterment assessments on such extensions, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, Sections 42G, 42H and 42I, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 37. Recommend.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 41, Section 55 of the General Laws which authorizes the Selectmen to appoint a Town Accountant, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws, Article 2, Section 6 by striking out sub-section "G" which calls for the election of "one Auditor for one year," such change to become effective immediately, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws, Article 2, Section 6 by striking out sub-section "J" which calls for the election of "one Tree Warden for one year," such change to become effective immediately, and to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Tree Warden annually, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws from "Residence A" to "Neighborhood Shopping District" land on the Easterly side of Main Street, Wilbraham, owned by the First Congregational Church of Wilbraham and known as the Parish House as further described in a document entitled "First Congregational Church of Wilbraham, Parish House." Land description filed with the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws from "Residence A" to "Neighborhood Shopping District" land located on the Westerly side of Main Street in said Wilbraham and being numbered 455 to 457 Main Street with a frontage on Main Street of 156.75 feet as more particularly bounded and described in a deed from Everett W. Graham, et al to Maitland K. Shults, et al dated May 21, 1958 and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 2608, Page 329.

Now supposedly owned by said Maitland K. Shults, et al.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws Section 5 by deleting paragraph (a) item (2) and substituting the following:

(2) A building, structure or establishment, the major object of which shall be to store and display goods for sale at retail on the premises or to furnish a service or services intended primarily for the residents of the vicinity and shall be limited to the following: retail stores, barber and beauty shops, restaurant, luncheonette, tearoom, general business offices, professional offices, bank and post office.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by striking out Paragraph 7 of Section 4 and adding a new Paragraph 7 as follows:

7. SIGNS

A. Bulletin boards or signs necessary to uses specified in paragraphs 3 and 5 of this section or customarily used therewith.

B. Real estate sign of not over 6 square feet in area advertising the sale of real estate in a subdivision or real estate development under written annual permit from the building inspector.

C. A permanent sign of not over 18 inches by 24 inches in size, approved by the building inspector, identifying only by name an existing subdivision or real estate development or area and intended to replace the sign of subparagraph B above after all lots in the subdivision have been sold.

D. General Provisions:

1. Signs under subparagraphs B and C above are to be located within the subdivision or if located outside of the original subdivision they must be within 25 feet of the side lines of the nearest outlet street from said subdivision at its intersection with any main thoroughfare or way.

2. If a subdivision has nearby outlets to more than one main thoroughfare or more than one outlet from streets within the subdivision into a main thorough-

fare, more than one sign may be permitted or approved by the building inspector under subparagraphs B and C above.

3. No permit or approval shall be granted for a sign or signs under subparagraphs B and C above to be located on premises not owned by the applicant for permit or approval unless written permission from the owner of record of the premises is furnished to the building inspector or adequate proof of other legal right to such use of the premises.
4. Signs under subparagraphs A, B, and C above shall be hung a minimum of 8 feet from the ground level to the bottom of the sign if said sign is located within 25 feet of the side line of any public or private way.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by striking out Paragraph 8 of Section 4 and adding a new Paragraph 8 as follows:

8. A. The office or studio of a physician or surgeon, dentist, artist, musician, lawyer, architect, teacher, insurance broker, real estate broker, or other similar professional person residing on the premises.

B. A sign on the premises of 8A above no larger than 18 inches by 24 inches in size stating only the name and/or profession of the resident.

Any illumination provided for said sign shall be shaded and located on the top thereof and shall be white only and shall be steady and not moving or intermittent while in use.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to accept a deed of a lot of land on the Northerly side of Brookmont Drive, Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts, known and designated as "Public Utility" on a plan of lots recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 51, Pages 80 and 81.

Said lot of land containing the Brookmont Heights Pumping Station approved and accepted by the Board of Water Commissioners on December 8, 1957.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to rescind its action under Article 2 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting

of June 10, 1954 regarding compromise of a dispute over title to "The Green" at Tinkham Road and Main Street, Wilbraham.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take in fee by eminent domain for park and recreation purposes and/or for the purpose of possible future public buildings and to confirm and clear the present title of the Town in and to a certain parcel of land at the Northeasterly corner of Main Street and Tinkham Road in Wilbraham, being Parcel 1 as described in and subject to restrictions and reservations as set forth in a document entitled "The Green" Tinkham Road, Wilbraham, Massachusetts, dated February 9, 1963 and filed with the Town Clerk.

No appropriation needed.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to convey Parcel 2 as described in the above-mentioned document entitled "The Green" to the present record Owners in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds of the land lying Northerly of the Old Road, as shown on said plan, adjoining said Parcel 2, without payment therefor.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue as a town way in its entirety the road along the Northerly line of Parcels 1 and 2 as described in the above-mentioned document entitled "The Green."

Article 51. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, in their discretion, to discontinue action of the Town to register its title to "The Green" so-called as set forth in petition filed in the Land Court as Case No. 18738, or as to any portion thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to adopt an ordinance as follows, or take any other action relative thereto:

TRANSIENT VENDORS, HAWKERS and PEDLERS

No transient vendor, hawker or pedler as defined in Chapter 101 of the General Laws shall sell or barter, or carry for sale or barter, or expose therefor any goods, wares, or merchandise in the Town of Wilbraham on any day or days of Special Town Celebration so proclaimed by the Board of Selectmen unless a permit has been issued by said Board or its delegate therefor when deemed to be for the good of said Celebration; and under

such terms and conditions and for such a fee as said Board or its delegate shall determine.

Violations of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not exceeding $20.00 for each violation thereof.

Such ordinance shall become effective immediately.

ARTICLE 53. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town 14 days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure, provided the Selectmen, or whomsoever they authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 54. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 55. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1963, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 56. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Post Office at North Wilbraham, one at the Post Office at Wilbraham, and one at Glendale Church, seven days at least, before the time for holding said election and meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time for holding said election and meeting.

Given under our hands this 11th day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three.

SELECTMEN OF WILBRAHAM

RICHARD L. DANFORTH, *Chairman*
ROGER T. HINTZE JESSE L. RICE

Report of

Finance Committee

Notwithstanding necessary annual increase in the budget as indicated below, the Finance Committee is pleased to report that in its opinion last year's expenditures and those contemplated for the year to come continue to demonstrate the exercise of prudence and good judgment on the part of Town officers, department heads and committees in the administration of their respective responsibilities. Once again the Finance Committee is indebted to these many individuals for their cooperation in assisting the Committee in its preparation of budgetary recommendations for 1963.

Comparison of 1962 and 1963 is as follows:

1962		
Appropriations raised by taxation	$1,508,550.57	
Appropriations from Available Funds	130,274.53	
Appropriations previously voted from Available Funds	9,500.00	
Total		$1,648,325.10

1963			
Appropriations recommended to be raised by taxation	$1,697,992.72		
Appropriations previously raised by taxation	71,258.00	$1,769,250.72	
Appropriations recommended from Available Funds	357,487.74		
Appropriation previously voted from Available Funds	26,090.34	383,578.08	
Total			$2,152,828.80

As indicated above, the total amount raised by taxation and obtained from Available Funds in 1962 was $1,648,325.10. The comparable figure for 1963 is $2,152,828.80. This represents in 1963 a total increase of $504,503.70, of which $243,803.55 is obtainable from Available Funds and $260,700.15 must be raised by taxation.

The amount of increase to be raised by taxation, $260,700.15, is accounted for as follows:

For Schools:			
Article 5 — 1963			
Increase for Local Schools		$65,637.00	
Increase for Regional School		36,733.79	
Special Articles — 1963			
Appropriation for So. Main St. School		60,000.00	
Special Articles — 1962			
Appropriation for So. Main St. School		41,700.00	
Total Schools			$204,070.79
For All Other:			
Article 5 — 1963	Net Increase	20,968.06	
Special Articles 1963	Net Increase	6,103.30	
Special Articles 1962			
Appropriations — Highways and Bicentennial Celebration		29,558.00	
Total All Other			56,629.36
Total Increase by Taxation			$260,700.15

The amount of increase obtainable from Available Funds, $243,803.55 is accounted for as follows:

For Schools:			
Special Articles — 1963			
School Building So. Main St.		$230,000.00	
Special Articles — 1962			
Repair Stony Hill School roof		14,500.00	
Transfer to Pines School		4,290.34	
Total Schools			$248,790.34
For All Other:			
Special Articles — 1963	Net Decrease	$12,286.79	
Special Articles — 1962			
Water Department and Bicentennial	Net Increase	7,300.00	
Total All Other	Net Decrease		4,986.79
Total Increase from Available Funds			$243,803.55

Summary of total increase to be raised by taxation and from available funds:

For Schools	$452,861.13
For All Other	51,642.57
Total	$504,503.70

As indicated above, the severest increase in budget is necessitated by need for additional school facilities. The growth in school population in recent years has been somewhat dramatic in the Town of Wilbraham and this has necessitated recurring building programs of substantial proportions. In view of the large amounts involved in the local school budget and Wilbraham's share in the regional school budget, the Finance Committee would nevertheless commend the evident concern and care on the part of the school committees in administration of these sums.

In its 1961 report the Finance Committee recommended employment of a qualified accountant and installation of an approved accounting system as recommended by state fiscal authorities. Both of these recommendations have been adopted and again the Committee would commend the work already accomplished and the manner of its performance by Mr. Joseph Reilly who was appointed accountant. His preparation and presentation of fiscal reports for use of the Committee in preparation of the 1963 budget has been of inestimable value.

Also recommended in the past was appointment by the Selectmen of a Personnel Study Committee. The recommendations of the Personnel Study Committee relative to job classifications and salary and wage rates has done much to assist the Finance Committee in making certain of equitable salary and wage consideration for Town employees.

The Finance Committee is continuing its study and consideration of adoption of a segregated budget in the form recommended by state fiscal authorities. During the past year this subject has been considered with the several department heads. While no specific action relative to a segregated budget is recommended in connection with the 1963 budget it is to be hoped that in the future the Committee and all department heads may reach agreement as to the expediency of this form of budgeting.

The purpose which a sizeable Stabilization Fund has served in recent years and will again serve in connection with the further school building program demonstrates the wisdom and expediency of the policy which the Town has pursued in the development of such Stabilization Fund. Without this method of prefunding of capital expenditures the necessity of extensive bonded indebtedness would have been severe in recent years. Unquestionably, the Town should continue to maintain a sizeable Stabilization Fund in contemplation of necessary capital expenditures in the future.

Because of proposed utilization of $183,000 from the Stabilization Fund this year for the new school, the Finance Committee is recommending further contribution to the Fund this year in the amount of $75,000.

The substantial rate of increase annually in town expenditures due to growth of the Town emphasizes the need for continued prudence on the part of those whose responsibilities include consideration of such expenditures. Care must be exercised in the future determination of expenditures which will prove essential to preservation and further development of services and facilities characteristic of Wilbraham and at the same time preclude an increasing cost of Town administration which could become an intolerable burden to its taxpayers. To this end the present and future Finance Committees must be so dedicated.

ALDO ALBERICI, *Chairman*

IRVING J. CORDNER	ALBERT H. HOWES
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HERMAN G. GRANDCHAMP	ALPHONSE SAMBOR

ARTICLE 5 APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED

	1962 Appropriations As Modified	1962 Expended	1963 Budget	1963 Recommended Totals
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Selectmen				
Salaries and Wages	$6,022.00	$5,765.15	$7,982.00	
Expense	1,739.00	1,618.08	2,200.00	
Out of State Travel			50.00	
Total	$7,761.00	$7,383.23		$10,232.00
Accounting Department				
Salaries and Wages	$3,255.45	$3,255.45	$8,151.00	
Expense	2,444.55	2,444.01	398.00	
Total	$5,700.00	$5,699.46		8,549.00
Town Treasurer				
Salaries and Wages	$4,506.40	$4,506.40	$4,643.00	
Expense	556.60	526.93	1,061.00	
Total	$5,063.00	$5,033.33		5,704.00
Land Court Fees	$50.00			
Town Collector				
Salaries and Wages	$7,006.82	$7,006.82	$7,565.00	
Expense	1,059.18	1,033.15	1,200.00	
Total	$8,066.00	$8,039.97		8,765.00
Assessors, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$9,113.00	$8,920.43	$10,046.00	
Expense	1,800.00	1,603.99	1,700.00	
Total	$10,913.00	$10,524.42		11,746.00
Town Clerk				
Salaries and Wages	$3,429.52	$3,429.52	$3,632.00	
Expense	229.48	226.46	250.00	
Total	$3,659.00	$3,655.98		3,882.00
Legal				
Salaries and Wages	$200.00	$200.00	$2,500.00	
Expense	1,500.00	1,441.14	1,050.00	
Total	$1,700.00	$1,641.14		3,550.00
Elections and Town Meeting Exp.				
Salaries and Wages	$2,670.72	$2,254.63	$611.00	
Expense	364.53	364.53	545.00	
Total	$3,035.25	$2,619.16		1,156.00

	1962 Appropriations As Modified	1962 Expended	1963 Budget	1963 Recommended Totals
Registrars of Voters				
Salaries and Wages	$1,005.00	$967.50	$1,250.00	
Expense	300.00	290.09	200.00	
Total	$1,305.00	$1,257.59		1,450.00
Planning Board				
Salaries and Wages	$617.28	$617.28	$820.00	
Expense	529.72	528.19	540.00	
Total	$1,147.00	$1,145.47		1,360.00
Town Office and Bldg. Maint.				
Salaries and Wages	$1,121.25	$937.49	$1,560.00	
Expense	4,378.75	3,772.74	5,030.00	
Total	$5,500.00	$4,710.23		6,590.00
Town Auditor				
Salaries and Wages	$200.00	$50.00	$200.00	200.00
Total Gen. Government	$54,099.25	$51,759.98		$63,184.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY				
Police Department				
Salaries and Wages	$23,033.00	$22,301.18	$27,314.00	
Expense	3,600.00	3,413.21	4,430.00	
Total	$26,633.00	$25,714.39		31,744.00
Fire Department				
Salaries and Wages	$16,927.50	$16,927.50	$23,248.00	
Expense	6,976.50	6,571.45	6,637.00	
Total	$23,904.00	$23,498.95		29,885.00
Pest Control				
Salaries and Wages	$425.00	$425.00	$500.00	
Expense	775.00	769.65	700.00	
Total	$1,200.00	$1,194.65		1,200.00
Dead Wood				
Salaries and Wages	$1,693.50	$1,693.50	$1,500.00	
Expense	1,806.50	1,803.83	2,000.00	
Total	$3,500.00	$3,497.33		3,500.00
Forest Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$500.00	$359.00	$500.00	
Expense	400.00	180.00	400.00	
Total	$900.00	$739.00		900.00

	1962 Appropriations As Modified	1962 Expended	1963 Budget	1963 Recommended Totals
Aid to Agriculture	$100.00	$100.00	$150.00	150.00
Tree Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$1,563.50	$1,563.50	$1,600.00	
Expense	1,436.50	1,433.48	1,900.00	
Total	$3,000.00	$2,996.98		3,500.00
Civil Defense				
Salaries and Wages	$822.00	$822.00	$822.00	
Expense	2,068.00	2,055.25	1,480.00	
Total	$2,890.00	$2,877.25		2,302.00
Dog Officer				
Salaries and Wages	$150.00	$150.00	$150.00	150.00
Building Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$1,800.00	$1,800.00	$2,025.00	
Expense	650.00	634.67	650.00	
Total	$2,450.00	$2,434.67		2,675.00
Wiring Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$600.00	$600.00	$690.00	
Expense	650.00	616.57	650.00	
Total	$1,250.00	$1,216.57		1,340.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures				
Salaries and Wages	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00	
Expense	25.00		25.00	
Total	$325.00	$300.00		325.00
Appeals, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$370.33	$370.33	$520.00	
Expense	226.67	131.96	150.00	
Total	$597.00	$502.29		670.00
Total Protection of Persons and Property	$66,899.00	$65,222.08		$78,341.00
HEALTH AND SANITATION				
Board of Health				
Salaries and Wages	$400.00	$360.00	$2,480.00	
Expense	6,890.00	4,182.88	5,820.00	
Total	$7,290.00	$4,542.88		8,300.00
Dental Clinic				
Salaries and Wages	$1,000.00	$1,000.00	$300.00	
Expense	50.00			
Total	$1,050.00	$1,000.00		300.00

	1962 Appropriations As Modified	1962 Expended	1963 Budget	1963 Recommended Totals
Mosquito Control				
Salaries and Wages	$239.75	$239.75	$200.00	
Expense	2,360.75	2,338.57	2,400.00	
Total	$2,600.00	$2,578.32		2,600.00
Inspector of Animals				
Salaries and Wages	$65.00	$65.00	$65.00	65.00
Inspector of Slaughtering				
Salaries and Wages	$50.00	$50.00	$50.00	50.00
Total Health and Sanitation	$11,055.00	$8,236.20		$11,315.00
HIGHWAYS				
Highway Department				
Salaries and Wages	$24,172.00	$22,646.08	$26,762.00	
Expense	31,000.00	30,428.28	26,775.00	
Total	$55,172.00	$53,074.36		53,537.00
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.	7,300.00	7,276.94	7,500.00	7,500.00
Street Lights	8,000.00	7,325.86	9,000.00	9,000.00
Total Highways	$70,472.00	$67,677.16		$70,037.00
CHARITIES				
Department of Public Welfare				
Salaries and Wages	$3,889.89	$3,875.29		
Aid:				
General Relief	11,204.44	6,985.63	7,000.00	
Old Age Assistance	23,037.55	22,990.89	25,000.00	
Aid to Dependent Children	5,291.94	5,211.32	7,000.00	
Disability Assistance	2,000.00	1,914.84	2,000.00	
Total Charities	$45,423.82	$40,977.97		41,000.00
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS				
Veterans' Service Department				
Salaries and Wages	$480.00	$462.08	$570.00	
Expense	20.00	18.00	50.00	
Aid	5,980.00	2,894.11	4,350.00	
Total Soldiers' Benefits	$6,480.00	$3,374.19		4,970.00
SCHOOLS				
Local				
Salaries and Wages	$460,371.00	$457,260.83	$507,816.00	
Expense	135,072.00	138,182.17	153,184.00	
Out of State Travel			80.00	
Total	$595,443.00	$595,443.00		661,080.00
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional	360,777.17	360,777.17	397,510.96	397,510.96
Total Schools	$956,220.17	$956,220.17		$1,058,590.96

	1962 Appropriations As Modified	1962 Expended	1963 Budget	1963 Recommended Totals
LIBRARY				
Salaries and Wages	$15,807.00	$14,565.88	$16,418.00	
Expense	7,375.00	7,266.12	6,400.26	
Total	23,182.00	21,832.00		22,818.26
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS				
Parks				
Salaries and Wages	$161.45	$161.45	$500.00	
Expense	438.55	282.52	100.00	
Total	$600.00	$443.97		600.00
Playgrounds				
Salaries and Wages	$2,055.00	$2,054.67	$2,870.00	
Expense	595.00	593.29	2,510.00	
Total	$2,650.00	$2,647.96		5,380.00
Community Program	6,000.00	5,821.73	6,000.00	6,000.00
Memorial and Independence Day	250.00	131.57	250.00	250.00
Total Rec. and Celeb.	$9,500.00	$9,045.23		$12,230.00
PENSIONS				
Assessment — Hampden County Retirement System	$9,781.80	$9,781.80	$11,418.00	11,418.00
UNCLASSIFIED				
Printing Town Reports	$3,092.00	$3,092.00	$3,100.00	
Insurance and Bonding	8,500.00	8,349.67	8,700.00	
Industrial Development	1,000.00	8.40	100.00	
Total Unclassified	$12,592.00	$11,450.07		$11,900.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE				
Water Dept. — Maintenance				
Salaries and Wages	$11,566.80	$9,649.36	$9,515.00	
Expense	15,604.20	15,604.20	19,500.00	
Total Pub. Serv. Enter.	$27,171.00	$25,253.56		29,015.00
CEMETERIES				
Salaries and Wages	$707.50	$707.50	$800.00	
Expense	2,092.50	1,748.06	1,100.00	
Total Cemeteries	$2,800.00	$2,455.56		1,900.00

	1962 Appropriations As Modified	1962 Expended	1963 Budget	1963 Recommended Totals
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST				
Maturing Debt				
School Bonds	$100,000.00	$100,000.00	$95,000.00	
Water Bonds	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	
Maturing Interest				
School Bonds	18,942.50	18,942.50	16,737.50	
Water Bonds	1,755.00	1,755.00	1,425.00	
Temporary Loan Interest	3,972.91	3,972.91	1,800.00	
Total Mat. Debt & Int.	$139,670.41	$139,670.41		129,962.50
Total Article 5	$1,435,346.45	$1,412,956.38		$1,546,681.72

We also recommend appropriations under some Articles in the Warrant as follows:

		From Available Funds	From Tax Levy	1963 Recommended Totals
Article 4	Library (Dog Tax)	$1,107.74		$1,107.74
Article 6	Chapter 81 — Highway Work	17,875.00	$8,125.00	26,000.00
Article 7	Chapter 90 — Highway Maint.	5,000.00	2,502.00	7,502.00
Article 8	Chapter 90 — Highway Const.	19,500.00	6,502.00	26,002.00
Article 9	Garbage Collection	6,500.00		6,500.00
Article 10	Assessors' Revaluation Program		5,320.00	5,320.00
Article 11	Maps — Assessors and Planning Board		2,500.00	2,500.00
Article 12	Pease Street		1,128.00	1,128.00
Article 22	Snow Plow — Highway Dept.	725.00		725.00
Article 23	Power Broom — Highway Dept.	3,500.00		3,500.00
Article 24	Sidewalk South Main St.		9,724.00	9,724.00
Article 25	Resurface South Main St.		6,600.00	6,600.00
Article 27	Regional Planning*		600.00	600.00
Article 28	By-Law Committee		100.00	100.00
Article 29	School Bldg. — South Main St.	230,000.00	60,000.00	290,000.00
Article 31	Stabilization Fund	45,000.00	30,000.00	75,000.00
Article 32	Reserve Fund	20,000.00		20,000.00
Article 33	Installations — Water Dept.	8,280.00		8,280.00
Article 34	Bicentennial Celebration		14,350.00	14,350.00
Article 36	Land — Glendale Cemetery		2,000.00	2,000.00
Article 37	Water Main Extension		1,860.00	1,860.00
		$357,487.74	$151,311.00	
Total Special Articles				$508,798.74
Total Recommendations				$2,055,480.46

SUMMARY

Appropriations recommended to be raised by taxation	$1,697,992.72
Appropriations recommended from available funds	357,487.74
Total	$2,055,480.46

* *Finance Committee will make recommendation at Town Meeting*

Financial Statements

1962

Auditor's Report

I have examined the financial statements of the Town of Wilbraham, discussed the system of internal control, examined the accounting records on a selective basis, and conducted a limited cash audit. I believe that all cash collected has been properly recorded and deposited, that disbursements are supported by proper vouchers, and that the Treasurer's cash balance as of December 31, 1962 is correct.

SPENCER W. MOORE

Town of Wilbraham

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1962

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		
Cash:		
General		$381,982.69
Advances for Petty:		
Town Collector	$39.00	
Water Department	25.00	
Fire Department	20.00	84.00
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1961:		
Personal Property	$71.10	
Real Estate	9,868.40	9,939.50
Levy of 1962:		
Poll	$70.00	
Personal Property	3,504.05	
Real Estate	54,367.35	57,941.40
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1962		14,292.33
Special Assessments:		
Street Added to Taxes:		
Levy of 1961	$28.08	
Levy of 1962	58.00	
Committed Interest:		
Levy of 1961	8.47	
Levy of 1962	20.60	115.15

Liabilities and Reserves		
Agency:		
Excess — Sale of Lands of Low Value		$73.95
Trust Fund Income:		
Hines Burial Lot	$48.68	
Cemetery, Perpetual Care	29.07	77.75
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Administration	$852.05	
Assistance	4,286.90	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	608.87	
Aid	1,022.49	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	874.54	
Assistance	2,495.00	
Medical Assistance for Aged:		
Administration	908.69	
Assistance	1,698.83	
School:		
Public Law No. 81-874	31,588.04	44,335.41
School Lunch Program		12,247.13
Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue:		
General	$85,468.80	
Non-Revenue:		
Memorial School Addition	10,523.51	
Water Mains	689.65	96,681.96

Tax Titles		4,825.47
Departmental:		
Selectmen's Licenses	$145.25	
Garbage Collection	8.00	
General Relief	563.80	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,375.89	
Old Age Assistance	132.01	
Veterans' Services	879.39	3,104.34
Water:		
Rates	$3,082.08	
Installations and Services	545.12	3,627.20
Aid to Highways:		
State	$19,013.36	
County	21,800.00	40,813.36
Dog Officer's Fees — Due from County		84.00
Revenue 1963:		
Appropriations Voted		71,258.00
Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts:		
Overlay Deficits:		
Levy of 1960	$30.23	
Levy of 1961	671.20	701.43
		$588,768.87

Overestimate 1962:		
State Recreation Areas Assessment	$294.92	
County Tax	264.86	559.78
Road Machinery Fund		5,710.59
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		16,206.59
Overlay Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1962		20,869.51
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$14,292.33	
Special Assessment	115.15	
Tax Title	4,825.47	
Departmental	3,104.34	
Water	3,627.20	
Aid to Highways	40,813.36	66,777.85
Reserve for Petty Cash Advance		84.00
Surplus Revenue		325,144.35
		$588,768.87

DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Assessments Not Due:		Apportioned Street Assessment Revenue:	
Street	$3,035.00	Due in 1963 to 1979, Inclusive	$3,035.00

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1962 (Continued)

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:			Inside Debt Limit:		
Inside Debt Limit		$185,000.00	School Addition Loan		$185,000.00
Outside Debt Limit:			Outside Debt Limit:		
General	$565,000.00		General:		
Water	75,000.00	640,000.00	Memorial School Loan	$105,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1957	300,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1961	160,000.00	
			Water Loans	75,000.00	640,000.00
		$825,000.00			$825,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

In Trust and Investment Funds:			In Custody of Treasurer:	
Cash and Securities:			Chloe B. Stebbins Charity Fund	$313.88
In Custody of Treasurer	$203,746.34		Deacon Warriner School Fund	1,177.20
In Custody of Trustees	204.53		School Lot Fund	1,223.88
			Chloe B. Stebbins Library Fund	176.01
			Abner W. Bell Library Fund	70.08
			Henry Cutler Library Funds	1,308.40
			Civil War Mortar Memorial Plaque Fund	54.01
			Ethelbert Bliss Cemetery General Care Fund	1,821.16
			Laura Bruuer Cemetery General Care Fund	1,140.65
			Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	11,369.60
			Soldiers Monument Park Fund	1,155.88
			Stabilization Fund	183,935.59
			In Custody of Probate Court:	
			Hines Family Burial Lot Fund	204.53
	$203,950.87			$203,950.87

STABILIZATION FUND

Balance December 31, 1961	$104,911.20		
Appropriation March 10, 1962	75,000.00		
Interest on Deposits	4,024.39	Balance December 31, 1962	$183,935.59
	$183,935.59		$183,935.59

Town Treasurer's Report

CASH RECEIPTS

Balance Jan. 1, 1962			$548,761.63
Receipts during 1962			
Taxes:			
Real Estate			
1960	$8,686.55		
1961	46,451.06		
1962	948,673.57	$1,003,811.18	
Personal			
1961	$4,767.54		
1962	34,911.03	39,678.57	
Poll			
1961	$62.00		
1962	3,972.00	4,034.00	
Excise			
1960	$737.11		
1961	36,933.88		
1962	179,511.44	217,182.43	
Farm Animal Excise			
1962		134.13	
Total Taxes			$1,264,840.31
Tax Titles Redeemed			71.80
Interest:			
On Taxes		$2,317.75	
On Savings		2,233.99	
Committed		133.17	
Total Interest			4,684.91
Municipal Liens			114.00
Water Department:			
Water Rates		$73,374.08	
Installation Deposits		5,782.00	
Miscellaneous		1,623.71	
Total Water Department			80,779.79
Licenses:			
Dogs		$1,522.00	
Milk Inspector's		25.00	
Selectmen — Committed		9,409.30	
Selectmen — Cash		38.75	
Police		257.00	
Total Licenses			11,252.05

Fees:			
Town Clerk:			
Dogs	$193.50		
Sporting	151.45		
Miscellaneous	911.25	$1,256.20	
Town Collector		1,162.85	
Tax Titles		24.17	
Planning Board		201.25	
Board of Appeals		315.00	
Sealer of Weights & Measures		136.50	
Total Fees			3,095.97
Building Permits			2,688.50
Electrical Permits			1,787.00
Gas Permits			315.00
Garbage Collection			5,823.50
Street Betterments — Committed and Paid in Advance			344.63
Deductions:			
Payroll:			
Federal Taxes		$85,153.54	
State Taxes		7,950.16	
State — Employer's Compensation		59.74	
County Retirement		9,093.09	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield		3,799.19	
Other:			
Roach Machinery Earnings		5,558.65	
Total Deductions			111,614.37
School Department:			
School Lunches — Sales		$39,732.17	
School Lunches — State and Federal Reimbursement		17,781.25	
Auditorium Rental		779.48	
Tuition		469.03	
Miscellaneous		26.08	
Total School Department			58,788.01
Federal Grants:			
Old Age Assistance — Aid		$18,209.10	
Old Age Assistance — Administration		854.68	
Aid to Dependent Children — Aid		5,432.00	

Aid to Dependent Children — Administration	652.87	
Disability Assistance — Aid	1,914.30	
Disability Assistance — Administration	81.85	
Medical Aid for Aged — Aid	11,716.24	
Medical Aid for Aged — Administration	432.41	
School Aid — Public Law 874	17,464.00	
School Aid — Public Law 864	1,400.17	
Total Federal Grants		58,157.62
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highways	$48,893.58	
Income Tax	13,780.00	
Income Tax — Chapter 70	86,890.47	
Income Tax — Mentally Retarded	8,967.56	
Corporation Tax	29,317.15	
School Aid — Chapter 645	74,638.29	
Transportation	38,586.64	
Vocational Education	6,417.56	
Youth Service Board	3,600.00	
English Speaking Classes	10.00	
Temporary Aid and Transportation	426.34	
Division of Child Guardianship	578.00	
Lieu of Taxes	1,410.40	
Meals Tax (OAA)	1,513.56	
Director of Standards	14.00	
Aid to Libraries	1,846.75	
Total Commonwealth		316,890.30
County of Hampden:		
Dog Refund	$1,049.53	
Court and Jail Fines	1,020.60	
Total County		2,070.13
Accounts Receivable:		
General Relief	$270.77	
Aid to Dependent Children	3,467.66	
Aid to Disabled	418.90	
Old Age Assistance	8,755.94	
Medical Aid for Aged	8,356.98	
Veterans' Services	2,312.97	
Total		23,583.22
Library:		
Building Rental	$700.00	
Fines, Lost and Damaged Books	839.77	
Total Library		1,539.77

Trust Fund Income:			
Mortimer Day Trust Fund	$111.67		
Hines Burial Lot	8.16		
Bliss Family Burial Lot	108.00		
Total Trust Funds		227.83	
Tax Anticipation Loans		400,000.00	
Refunds Credited to Estimated Receipts		385.00	
Appropriation Refunds		941.33	
Ambulance Reimbursements		280.00	
Civil Defense		110.00	
Total Receipts 1962			2,350,385.04
Total January 1, 1962 Plus 1962 Receipts			$2,899,146.67
Less Payments per Warrants			2,517,163.98
Cash Balance December 31, 1962			$381,982.69

Treasurer's Trust Fund Report

CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL, $54.01. SCHOOLS (*total,* $2,396.08) Deacon Warriner, $1,177.20; School Lot, $1,223.88. LIBRARY (*total,* $1,554.49) Abner E. Bell, $70.08; Henry Cutler, $661.49; Henry Cutler, $646.91; Chloe Bliss Stebbins, $176.01. SOLDIERS' MONUMENT PARK, $1,155.88. CHARITIES, Chloe Bliss Stebbins, $313.88. CEMETERIES: (*total,* $13,331.41) G. Frank Adams, $390.45; Charles L. Amadon, $235.63; John W. Baldwin, $232.11; John W. Baldwin, $291.01; Bishop Lot, $240.78; Henry A. Bowker, $162.55; Edward H. Brewer, $675.02; Laura Bruuer, $1,140.65; Albro Bryant, $115.98; Philip and Angeline R. Butler, $144.17; Henry C. Butler and Herbert F. Green, $180.60; James A. Butler, $240.99; Ethelbert Bliss, $821.16; William Butler, $162.55; Abel B. Calkins, $222.93; Charles M. Calkins, $144.17; Howard Calkins, $318.48; Emma Carson, $81.63; Inez V. Chilson, $163.61; Henry Clark, $162.54; Frederick Coon, $67.50; Evalina N. Copeland, $144.17; Lucy M. Dane, $116.00; Hiram Danks, $114.39; Dasco Lot, $299.09; J. W. Dunsmore, $227.01; F. A. Fuller and Marshall A. Lane, $505.64; Charles H. Gates, $144.17; Harriet Gates, $232.31; Blanche B. Gilbert, $223.74; W. H. Graves, $113.87; Benjamin B. Green, $144.17; B. Franklin Greene, $115.98; Fred W. Green, $144.17; Lora M. Green, $90.61; Eliza V. Jones, $162.54; Anna C. Kibbe, $164.12; Abraham Knowlton, $116.15; Charles R. Knowlton, $162.55; George E. Knowlton, $232.03; Etta Simmons May, $227.61; Angeline P. Morgan, $116.60; Charles North, $294.58; Charles J. Parker, $348.23; Inez M. Perry, $144.17; Inez M. Perry, $144.17; Ira G. Potter, $164.10; P. P. Potter, $116.07; William H. Read, $228.24; Jesse L. Rice, $228.20; Frank R. and Hattie R. Rindge, $102.51; Allyn M. Seaver, $229.92; Spear-Butler Lot, $299.58; Chloe B. Stebbins, $113.89; Luther and Milton Stebbins, $228.12; Frances E. Stebbins, $287.34; Elizabeth B. Tupper, $57.03; Martha E. Smith, $82.18; Nellie Spencer, $115.98.

Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Recorded	1962	1961	1960
Males	60	60	96
Females	41	65	65
	*101	125	161

* 1962 Incomplete. Nov. and Dec. records from Springfield not received at date of printing.

	1962	1961	1960
Marriages Recorded	75	49	62
Deaths Recorded			
Males	33	35	29
Females	24	28	19
	57	63	48

DOG LICENSES

390	Males	@ $2.00	$780.00
49	Females	5.00	245.00
330	Spayed Females	2.00	660.00
3	Kennel Licenses	10.00	30.00
2	Transfers	.25	.50
			$1,715.50
	Fees Retained		193.50
	Paid to Treasurer of Hampden County		$1,522.00

SPORTING LICENSES

Total number of licenses issued — 644	
Total receipts for licenses issued	$2,763.45
Paid to Division of Fisheries and Game	2,612.00
Fees Retained	$151.45

SUMMARY OF FEES

Recording Fees	$911.25
Fish and Game Fees	151.45
Dog License Fees	193.50
	$1,256.20

DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

Cash Disbursements

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen		
Salaries and Wages	$5,765.15	
Office supplies	586.39	
Legal notices	81.42	
Postage	200.89	
Dues and subscriptions	139.68	
Meeting expense	150.15	
Repairs — office equipment	73.00	
Miscellaneous	127.55	
Equipment	239.00	$7,383.23
Accounting Department		
Salaries and Wages	$3,255.45	
Outside accounting service	1,750.00	
Office supplies	17.03	
Dues	5.00	
Meeting expense	36.39	
Equipment	635.59	5,699.46
Town Treasurer		
Salaries and Wages	$4,506.40	
Office supplies	127.18	
Postage	110.20	
Use of car	100.00	
Repairs — office equipment	9.55	
Dues	6.00	
Miscellaneous	9.00	
Equipment	165.00	5,033.33
Town Collector		
Salaries and Wages	$7,006.82	
Office supplies	248.27	
Postage	391.08	
Use of car	120.00	
Printing	170.48	
Meeting expense	48.12	
Dues	6.00	
Legal notices	22.95	
Repairs — office equipment	22.25	
Recording fees	4.00	8,039.97
Assessors		
Salaries and Wages	$8,920.43	
Office supplies	258.66	
Printing	494.58	
Photocopies	383.40	

Dues and subscriptions	33.25	
Outside services	60.00	
Postage	120.00	
Repairs — office equipment	40.40	
Miscellaneous	17.77	
Equipment	195.93	10,524.42
Assessors' Revaluation Program		6,000.00
Assessors' and Planning Board Maps		2,500.00
Town Clerk		
Salaries and Wages	$3,429.52	
Office supplies	45.00	
Postage	32.40	
Meeting expense	54.60	
Binding records	44.38	
Legal notices	38.08	
Dues and subscriptions	12.00	3,655.98
Legal		
Salary	$200.00	
Legal services	1,312.39	
Tracing for Land Court	114.75	
Recordings	14.00	1,641.14
Town Meeting and Election Expense		
Salaries and Wages	$2,254.63	
Rental	146.00	
Lunches	90.63	
Office supplies	17.61	
Miscellaneous	4.01	2,619.16
Registrars of Voters		
Salaries and Wages	$967.50	
Printing street lists	260.00	
Office supplies	30.09	1,257.59
Planning Board		
Salaries and Wages	$617.28	
Engineering services	350.00	
Legal notices	113.39	
Dues and subscriptions	50.00	
Office supplies	14.80	1,145.47
Planning Board Master Plan		4,000.00

Town Offices and Buildings Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$937.49		
Janitorial supplies	127.06		
Repairs and replacements	196.11		
Utilities	2,879.17		
Outside services	34.00		
Equipment	536.40	4,710.23	
Town Auditor — Salary		50.00	
Total General Government			$64,259.98

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department			
Salaries and Wages	$22,301.18		
Cruiser operating expense	1,606.55		
Car allowance	674.00		
Clothing	325.83		
Police training school	217.60		
Office supplies	180.79		
Mass. Safety Council	179.93		
Dues and meeting expense	50.00		
Radio repairs	179.93		
Miscellaneous	61.51	$25,714.39	
Police Cruiser		1,391.70	
Fire Department			
Salaries and Wages	$16,927.50		
Expense of operation	4,101.37		
Equipment	2,470.08	23,498.95	
Fire Department Ambulance		10,500.00	
Pest Control			
Salaries and Wages	$425.00		
Outside services	350.00		
Hired equipment	193.50		
Supplies	226.15	1,194.65	
Dead Wood			
Salaries and Wages	$1,693.50		
Hired equipment	652.50		
Outside services	936.00		
Repairs — equipment	196.55		
Small tools	18.78	3,497.33	

Forest Warden		
Salaries and Wages	$359.00	
Car allowance	200.00	
Equipment	180.00	739.00
Aid to Agriculture		100.00
Tree Warden		
Salaries and Wages	$1,563.50	
Hired equipment	451.50	
Outside services	360.00	
Repairs — equipment	142.55	
Trees	199.00	
Supplies	210.93	
Meeting expense	62.50	
Miscellaneous	7.00	2,996.98
Civil Defense		
Salaries and Wages	$822.00	
Public information and education	1,745.75	
Communications	302.89	
Miscellaneous	6.61	2,877.25
Dog Officer		
Salary		150.00
Building Inspector		
Salary	$1,800.00	
Car allowance	600.00	
Printing	25.67	
Supplies	9.00	2,434.67
Wiring Inspector		
Salary	$600.00	
Car allowance	600.00	
Printing	16.57	1,216.57
Sealer of Weights and Measures		
Salary		300.00
Board of Appeals		
Salaries and Wages	$370.33	
Legal notices	71.06	
Recording fees	28.00	
Office supplies	17.90	
Dues	15.00	502.29
Total Protection of Persons and Property		77,113.78

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health			
Salary	$360.00		
Power (Pumping Station)	705.33		
Rental of dump	3,000.00		
Car allowance	240.00		
Drugs	98.61		
Flu shots	52.50		
Supplies	69.71		
Repair parts	11.73		
Dues	5.00	$4,542.88	
Dental Clinic			
Salary		1,000.00	
Mosquito Control			
Salaries and Wages	$239.75		
Outside services	2,140.00		
Equipment rental	85.50		
Repairs — equipment	113.07	2,578.32	
Inspector of Animals			
Salary		65.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering			
Salary		50.00	
Garbage Collection			
Outside services		6,500.00	
Sewer Construction			
Materials	$347.38		
Outside contractor	234.00	581.38	
Total Health and Sanitation			15,317.58

HIGHWAYS

Miscellaneous Highways			
Salaries and Wages	$22,646.08		
Materials	20,070.21		
Hired equipment	5,490.25		
Registration — car plates	34.50		
Survey and plans	2,167.00		
Street signs	521.68		
Repairs and parts	350.31		
Express charges	47.75		
Buildings — heat, maintenance, repairs	492.13		
Outside services	228.30		
Miscellaneous	1,026.15	$53,074.36	
Road Machinery Operating Account			
Gas, oil, repairs, parts		7,276.94	

Street Lights		
Payment to Utility		7,325.86
Special Accounts		
Chapter 81		
Salaries and Wages	$6,743.65	
Material	13,324.92	
Hired equipment	2,234.00	
Town equipment	2,824.35	25,126.92
Chapter 90 Construction (1961)		
Salaries and Wages	$3,298.12	
Materials	6,273.55	
Hired equipment	9,961.00	
Town equipment	1,591.70	21,124.37
Chapter 90 Construction (1962)		
Salaries and Wages	$2,251.98	
Materials	17,366.91	
Hired equipment	3,296.25	
Town equipment	865.30	23,780.44
Chapter 90 Maintenance		
Salaries and Wages	$573.12	
Materials	4,919.56	
Hired equipment	342.00	
Town equipment	165.30	5,999.98
Brooklawn Road		
Salaries and Wages	$34.28	
Material	145.00	
Hired equipment	21.34	200.62
Ely Road		
Salaries and Wages	$567.67	
Material	1,692.40	
Hired equipment	563.25	2,823.32
Joan Street		
Salaries and Wages	$17.67	
Material	96.77	
Hired equipment	10.33	124.77
Shirley Street		
Salaries and Wages	$17.67	
Material	96.00	
Hired equipment	10.33	124.00
Railroad Avenue		
Salaries and Wages	$78.43	
Material	363.39	
Hired equipment	55.00	496.82

Main Street — North			
Salaries and Wages	$93.94		
Material	5,092.24		
Hired equipment	52.50	5,238.68	
Main Street — South			
Salaries and Wages	$385.69		
Material	4,859.61		
Hired equipment	154.00	5,399.30	
Mowing Machine		700.00	
Snow Plow		796.98	
Two and one-half ton Truck		8,030.96	
Total Highways			167,644.32

CHARITIES

Department of Public Welfare			
Town Funds			
Salaries and Wages	$3,875.29		
Aid:			
General Relief	6,985.63		
Old Age Assistance	22,990.89		
Aid to Dependent Children	5,211.32		
Disability Assistance	1,914.84	$40,977.97	
Federal Grants			
Old Age Assistance — Adm. District	$2,500.00		
Old Age Assistance — Administration	237.76		
Old Age Assistance — Aid	16,775.30		
Aid to Dep. Children — Adm. District	1,180.00		
Aid to Dependent Children — Aid	5,625.39		
Disability Assistance — Assistance	895.30		
Medical Assistance for Aged — Aid	13,786.28	41,000.03	
Total Charities			81,978.00

VETERANS' SERVICES

Veterans Service Department			
Salaries and Wages		$462.08	
Expense		18.00	
Aid		2,894.11	
Total Veterans' Services			3,374.19

SCHOOLS

Local			
Town Funds			
General Control			
Expense of School Committee	$197.81		
Superintendent's Salary	9,750.00		
Business Office Expense	9,510.17	$19,457.98	

Expense of Instruction			
Supervisors' Salaries	$21,207.73		
Principals' Salaries	20,335.67		
Expense of Principalship	10,352.73		
Teachers' Salaries	352,032.97		
Text Books	12,066.62		
Supplies	11,355.83	427,351.55	
Operation of Plant			
Custodians' Salaries	$31,243.23		
Fuel	10,277.67		
Miscellaneous expenses	15,122.17	56,643.07	
Maintenance of Plant			
Repairs and replacements		13,923.73	
Auxiliary			
Health	$6,085.97		
Transportation	56,199.36		
Miscellaneous	2,578.07	64,863.40	
Tuition		11,650.33	
Outlay			
New equipment		1,552.94	
Total		$595,443.00	
Federal Funds			
Public Law 874			
Supplies	$4,641.79		
Custodians' Salaries	1,143.15	5,784.94	
Public Law 864		3,692.08	
Total		$9,477.02	
Special Accounts			
School Land Purchase		17,500.00	
Stony Hill School Roof			
Legal fees	$400.00		
Construction	2,875.00	3,275.00	
Pines School Addition			
Construction		184,232.33	
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District			
Assessment		360,777.17	
Total Schools			1,170,704.52

LIBRARY

Town Library		
Salaries and Wages	$14,565.88	
Books and magazines	3,722.25	
Library supplies	609.09	

Rebinding books		92.40	
Fuel		942.68	
Utilities		584.81	
Maintenance and repairs		366.45	
Miscellaneous		152.99	
Capital outlay		795.45	
Total Library			21,832.00

RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

Parks			
Salaries and Wages	$161.45		
Outside services	6.00		
Grass seed — turf builder	120.45		
Equipment	156.07	$443.97	
Playgrounds			
Salaries and Wages	$2,054.67		
Recreational supplies	265.34		
Maintenance materials	230.29		
Electricity	15.16		
Outside services	82.50	2,647.96	
Spec Pond			
Engineering Services	$193.00		
Legal Services	330.00		
Repairs	193.09		
Recording fees	12.60	728.69	
Memorial and Independence Day			
Services and supplies		131.57	
Community Program			
Salaries and Wages	$4,484.92		
Utilities	551.22		
Fuel	785.59	5,821.73	
Bicentennial Celebration			
Secretarial services		14.19	
Total Recreation and Celebrations			9,788.11

PENSIONS

Hampden County Retirement System			
Wilbraham Assessment			9,781.80

UNCLASSIFIED

Printing Town Report	$3,092.00	
Insurance and Bonding	8,349.67	
History Committee	275.48	

Industrial Development Committee		8.40	
Stabilization Fund		75,000.00	
Total Unclassified			86,725.55

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE

Water Department			
Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$9,649.36		
Water	10,711.58		
Chlorinator Installation	1,353.35		
Engineering Services	679.04		
Hydrant Rental	390.00		
Repair parts	492.42		
Truck maintenance	389.15		
Outside services	342.20		
Operating supplies	232.69		
Office supplies	303.08		
Postage	283.08		
Power	301.77		
Fuel Oil	93.01		
Miscellaneous	32.83	$25,253.56	
Installations			
Salaries and Wages	$760.02		
Outside services	1,277.43		
Parts and supplies	4,454.98	6,492.43	
Water Exploration Program			
Engineering Services		139.51	
Total Public Service Enterprise			31,885.50

CEMETERIES

Town Cemeteries			
Salaries and Wages		$707.50	
Outside services		365.50	
Town burial		350.00	
Plot Drawings — E. Wilbraham		174.00	
Supplies		133.93	
Fence — Glendale		550.00	
Well — Adams		174.63	
Total Cemeteries			2,455.56

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

Maturing Debt			
School Bonds	$100,000.00		
Water Bonds	15,000.00	$115,000.00	
Maturing Interest			
School Bonds	$18,942.50		

Water Bonds	1,755.00	20,697.50	
Interest on Temporary Loans		3,972.91	
Total Maturing Debt and Interest			139,670.41
STATE AND COUNTY CHARGES			
State Audit of Accounts	$1,402.28		
State Recreation Areas	3,050.36	$4,452.64	
County Tax	$13,130.78		
County T.B. Hospital	425.73	13,556.51	
Total State and County Charges			18,009.15
REFUNDS			
On Taxes			
Real Estate	$43,133.22		
Personal Property	1,747.60		
Poll	16.00		
Motor Vehicle Excise	7,284.02	52,180.84	
General			
Garbage Collection	$67.00		
Water Deposits	157.09		
Road Machinery Fund	112.00		
Interest on taxes	55.29		
Collector's fees	2.05	393.43	
Total Refunds			52,574.27
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS			
Federal Withholding Tax		$85,153.54	
State Withholding Tax (to State)		7,890.42	
State Withholding Tax (to Town)		59.74	
Hampden County Retirement System		9,093.09	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield		3,799.19	
Total Payroll Deductions			105,995.98
AGENCY ACCOUNTS			
Dog Officer's Fees		$84.00	
Dog Licenses paid to County		1,522.00	
Mortimer Day Trust Fund Income		111.67	
Bliss Fund Income		108.00	
School Lunch Program		56,227.61	
Total Agency Accounts			58,053.28
MISCELLANEOUS			
Re-payment tax anticipation loans			400,000.00
Total Disbursements Per Warrants			$2,517,163.98

Town Collector's Report

Taxes	*Outstanding Jan. 1, 1962*	*Committed*	*Refunds*	*Cash Paid Treasurer*	*Abated*	*Transfers*	*Outstanding Dec. 31, 1962*
Real Estate							
1958			$6,119.85		$6,119.85		
1959			7,232.55		7,232.55		
1960							
Personal Property	$2,652.00		728.00		3,380.00		
Real Estate	10,393.78		12,706.20	$8,686.55	12,736.43	(1)$1,677.00	
1961							
Poll	80.00			62.00	18.00		
Personal Property	7,987.50		795.20	4,767.54	3,944.06		$71.10
Real Estate	58,118.24		14,027.12	46,451.06	13,994.10	(1)1,831.80	9,868.40
1962							
Poll		$4,576.00	16.00	3,972.00	550.00		70.00
Personal Property		38,735.73	224.40	34,911.03	545.05		3,504.05
Real Estate		1,009,025.60	3,047.50	948,673.57	8,058.68	(1)973.50	54,367.35
Motor Vehicles Excise							
1960	1,888.68	822.43		737.11	1,974.00		
1961	34,274.70	5,182.20	1,751.26	36,933.88	4,274.28		
1962		199,235.85	5,532.76	179,511.44	10,964.84		14,292.33
Farm Animal Excise							
1962		134.13		134.13			
Street Betterments							
Added to Taxes							
1960	10.00			10.00			
1961	76.71			48.63			28.08
1962		319.00		261.00			58.00

TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT (Continued)

Taxes	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1962	Committed	Refunds	Cash Paid Treasurer	Abated	Transfers	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1962
Committed Interest							
1960	4.20			4.20			
1961	23.28			14.81			8.47
1962		134.76		114.16			20.60
Departmental Accounts Receivable							
Selectmen's Licenses	165.75	9,402.80		9,409.30	14.00		145.25
Garbage Collections	1,037.00	6,173.50	67.00	5,823.50	1,446.00		8.00
General Relief — Welfare	72.00	774.35		270.77	11.78		563.80
Disability Assistance		418.90		418.90			
Aid to Dep. Children	957.06	3,886.49		3,467.66			1,375.89
Old Age Assistance	630.40	8,257.55		8,755.94			132.01
Medical Aid for Aged		8,356.98		8,356.98			
Veteran's Services		3,192.36		1,952.97		(3) 360.00	879.39
Water Department							
Rates	2,343.99	74,206.09		73,374.08	93.92		3,082.08
Miscellaneous	498.61	7,303.25		1,623.71	7.12	(2) 5,625.91	545.12
	$121,213.90	$1,380,137.97	$52,247.84	$1,378,746.92	$75,364.66	$10,468.21	$89,019.92

Items Collected but not Committed:		
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	$55.29	$2,317.75
Costs on Delinquent Taxes	2.05	1,162.85
Municipal Liens and Discharges	$57.34	114.00
Apportioned Assessments Paid in Advance		25.00
CASH PAID TREASURER		$1,382,366.52

(1) To Tax Titles
(2) From Water Deposits
(3) Prior Year Refund

MARK E. REYNOLDS, *Town Collector*

Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures and Balances — 1962

	Dec. 31, 1961 Balances Forward	Appropriations	From Reserve Fund	Transfers and Refunds	Total Available	Expended	Unexpended Balances Dec. 31, 1962
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Selectmen		$7,761.00			$7,761.00	$7,383.23	$377.77
Accounting Department		5,700.00			5,700.00	5,699.46	.54
Town Treasurer		4,898.00	$165.00		5,063.00	5,033.33	29.67
Town Treasurer (Land Court)		50.00			50.00		50.00
Town Collector		7,866.00	200.00		8,066.00	8,039.97	26.03
Assessors		10,913.00			10,913.00	10,524.42	388.58
Assessors and Planning Board Maps		2,500.00			2,500.00	2,500.00	
Assessors Revaluation Program		6,000.00			6,000.00	6,000.00	
Town Clerk		3,659.00			3,659.00	3,655.98	3.02
Legal		1,700.00			1,700.00	1,641.14	58.86
Elections and Town Meeting Exp.		1,730.00	1,300.00	$5.25	3,035.25	2,619.16	416.09
Registrars of Voters		1,050.00	255.00		1,305.00	1,257.59	47.41
Planning Board		747.00	400.00		1,147.00	1,145.47	1.53
Planning Board Master Plan $6,000.00					6,000.00	4,000.00	2,000.00
Town Office & Bldg. Maint.		5,500.00			5,500.00	4,710.23	789.77
Town Auditor		200.00			200.00	50.00	150.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY							
Police Department		26,633.00			26,633.00	25,714.39	918.61
Police Department Cruiser		1,500.00			1,500.00	1,391.70	108.30
Fire Department		23,904.00			23,904.00	23,498.95	405.05
Fire Department Ambulance		10,500.00			10,500.00	10,500.00	
Pest Control		1,200.00			1,200.00	1,194.65	5.35
Dead Wood		3,500.00			3,500.00	3,497.33	2.67
Forest Warden		900.00			900.00	739.00	161.00
Aid to Agriculture		100.00			100.00	100.00	
Tree Warden		3,000.00			3,000.00	2,996.98	3.02
Civil Defense	935.07	1,154.93	800.00		2,890.00	2,877.25	12.75
Dog Officer		150.00			150.00	150.00	
Building Inspector		2,450.00			2,450.00	2,434.67	15.33
Wiring Inspector		1,250.00			1,250.00	1,216.57	33.43

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES — 1962 (Continued)

	Dec. 31, 1961 Balances Forward	Appropriations	From Reserve Fund	Transfers and Refunds	Total Available	Expended	Unexpended Balances Dec. 31, 1962
Sealer of Weights and Measures		325.00			325.00	300.00	25.00
Board of Appeals		397.00	200.00		597.00	502.29	94.71
HEALTH AND SANITATION							
Board of Health		7,290.00			7,290.00	4,542.88	2,747.12
Dental Clinic		1,050.00			1,050.00	1,000.00	50.00
Mosquito Control		2,600.00			2,600.00	2,578.32	21.68
Inspector of Animals		65.00			65.00	65.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering		50.00			50.00	50.00	
Garbage Collector		6,500.00			6,500.00	6,500.00	
Sewer Construction	986.33				986.33	581.38	404.95
HIGHWAYS							
Highway Department		55,172.00			55,172.00	53,074.36	2,097.64
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.		7,300.00			7,300.00	7,276.94	23.06
Street Lights		8,000.00			8,000.00	7,325.86	674.14
Chapter 81		25,203.00			25,203.00	25,126.92	76.08
Chapter 90 Maintenance		6,000.00			6,000.00	5,999.98	.02
Chapter 90 Const. — 1961	21,124.56				21,124.56	21,124.37	.19
Chapter 90 Const. — 1962		25,203.00			25,203.00	23,780.44	1,422.56
Mowing Equipment		700.00			700.00	700.00	
Snow Plow		825.00			825.00	796.98	28.02
2½ Ton Truck		8,260.00			8,260.00	8,030.96	229.04
Brooklawn Road		410.00			410.00	200.62	209.38
Ely Road		2,856.78			2,856.78	2,823.32	33.46
Joan Street		239.70			239.70	124.77	114.93
Shirley Street		186.30			186.30	124.00	62.30
Railroad Avenue		898.92			898.92	496.82	402.10
Resurface Main Street — North		5,250.00			5,250.00	5,238.68	11.32
Resurface Main Street — South		5,400.00			5,400.00	5,399.30	.70
Resurface Main & Springfield Sts.		27,058.00			27,058.00		27,058.00
CHARITIES							
Department of Public Welfare Administration		3,296.00	593.89		3,889.89	3,875.29	14.60

General Relief		11,000.00		204.44	11,204.44	6,985.63	4,218.81
Old Age Assistance		23,000.00		37.55	23,037.55	22,990.89	46.66
Aid to Dependent Children		3,000.00	2,000.00	291.94	5,291.94	5,211.32	80.62
Disability Assistance		2,000.00			2,000.00	1,914.84	85.16
SOLDIERS BENEFITS							
Veterans' Service Department		6,000.00		480.00	6,480.00	3,374.19	3,105.81
SCHOOLS							
Local							
Regular Operating		595,443.00			595,443.00	595,443.00	
School Building Plans —							
Pines	*$4,290.34						
Pines School Addition	181,939.03	4,290.34			186,229.37	184,232.33	1,997.04
Memorial School Add.	10,523.51				10,523.51		10,523.51
Repairs — Stony Hill School Roof		14,500.00			14,500.00	3,275.00	11,225.00
Land — School Bldg. — So. Main St.		18,700.00			18,700.00	17,500.00	1,200.00
Plans — School Bldg. — So. Main St.		23,000.00			23,000.00		23,000.00
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional		360,777.17			360,777.17	360,777.17	
LIBRARY							
Library		23,182.00			23,182.00	21,832.00	1,350.00
Library Plans	230.25				230.25		230.25
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS							
Parks		600.00			600.00	443.97	156.03
Playgrounds		2,650.00			2,650.00	2,647.96	2.04
Community Program		6,000.00			6,000.00	5,821.73	178.27
Memorial and Independence Day		250.00			250.00	131.57	118.43
Spec Pond	12,000.00			193.09	12,193.09	728.69	11,464.40
Bicentennial Celebration		5,000.00			5,000.00	14.19	4,985.81
PENSIONS							
Hampden County Retirement System		9,781.80			9,781.80	9,781.80	
UNCLASSIFIED							
Printing Town Reports		3,000.00	92.00		3,092.00	3,092.00	
Insurance and Bonding		8,500.00			8,500.00	8,349.67	150.33
Industrial Development		1,000.00			1,000.00	8.40	991.60
Stabilization Fund		75,000.00			75,000.00	75,000.00	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES — 1962 (Continued)

	Dec. 31, 1961 Balances Forward	Appropriations	From Reserve Fund	Transfers and Refunds	Total Available	Expended	Unexpended Balances Dec. 31, 1962
Reserve Fund		20,000.00			20,000.00	†8,978.80	11,021.20
History Committee	6,877.73				6,877.73	275.48	6,602.25
Removal of Buildings	500.00				500.00		500.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE							
Water Department							
Maintenance		27,150.00		21.00	27,171.00	25,253.56	1,917.44
Installations		11,000.00			11,000.00	6,492.43	4,507.57
Water Mains	689.65				689.65		689.65
Water Exploration Program		4,800.00			4,800.00	139.51	4,660.49
CEMETERIES		2,800.00			2,800.00	2,455.56	344.44
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST							
Maturing Debt							
School Bonds		100,000.00			100,000.00	100,000.00	
Water Bonds		15,000.00			15,000.00	15,000.00	
Maturing Interest							
School Bonds		18,942.50			18,942.50	18,942.50	
Water Bonds		1,755.00			1,755.00	1,755.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans		1,000.00	2,972.91		3,972.91	3,972.91	
	246,096.47					‡1,832,054.25	
	— 4,290.34					+ 8,978.80	
TOTAL	$241,806.13	$1,736,173.44	$8,978.80	$1,233.27	$1,988,191.64	$1,841,033.05	¶$147,158.59

* Transferred to Pines School Addition
† Transferred to Appropriations
‡ Appropriation Expenditures

¶ Disposition of Unexpended Balances

Appropriations Carried Forward	$96,681.96
To Surplus	40,219.57
To Road Machinery Account	257.06
To Overlay Reserve	10,000.00
	$147,158.59

Non-Appropriation Expenditures 1962

Federal Grants:		
Department of Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance — Administration — District	$2,500.00	
Old Age Assistance — Administration	237.76	
Old Age Assistance — Aid	16,775.30	
Aid to Dependent Children — Administration — District	1,180.00	
Aid to Dependent Children — Aid	5,625.39	
Disability Assistance — Aid	895.30	
Medical Assistance for Aged — Aid	13,786.28	$41,000.03
School Department:		
Public Law 874	$5,784.94	
Public Law 864	3,692.08	9,477.02
State and County Charges:		
State Audit of Accounts	$1,402.28	
State Recreation Areas	3,050.36	4,452.64
County Tax	$13,130.78	
County T.B. Hospital	425.73	13,556.51
Refunds:		
On Taxes:		
Real Estate	$43,133.22	
Personal Property	1,747.60	
Poll	16.00	
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General:		
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Collector's fees	2.05	393.43
Payroll Deductions:		
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State Withholding Tax (to State)	7,890.42	
State Withholding Tax (to Town)	59.74	
Hampden County Retirement System	9,093.09	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	3,799.19	105,995.98
Agency Accounts:		
Dog Officer's Fees	$84.00	
Dog Licenses Paid County	1,522.00	
Mortimer Day Trust Fund Income — Library	111.67	
Bliss Fund Income — To savings account	108.00	
School Lunch Program	56,227.61	58,053.28

Miscellaneous:	
Repayment of Tax Anticipation Loan	400,000.00
Non-appropriation Expenditures	$685,109.73
Appropriation Expenditures	1,832,054.25
Total Expenditures per Warrants	$2,517,163.98

Recapitulation of Estimated Receipts — 1962

	Assessors' Estimate	*Received*
Income Tax	$107,579.09	$109,638.03
Corporation Tax	26,133.88	29,317.15
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned lands	444.28	1,410.40
Old Age Tax (Meals — Chap. 64B-S10)	1,220.30	1,513.56
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	144,500.00	209,898.41
Licenses	10,306.00	9,462.05
Fines — Court and Library	1,335.20	1,860.37
Special Assessments	919.32	477.80
General Government	2,216.40	7,808.95
Protection of Persons and Property	8,472.50	5,319.00
Charities (other than federal grants)	3,613.97	12,514.31
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	15,670.71	8,895.74
Veterans' Services	4,135.60	2,672.97
Schools (Funds from Income Tax not included)	53,201.72	50,466.79
Libraries (State Aid)	1,425.47	1,846.75
Public Service Enterprise (Water Department)	68,377.00	80,623.70
Interest: On taxes and deposits	3,890.58	4,496.45
State Assistance for School Construction Chapter 645, Acts of 1948	74,638.29	74,638.29
Farm Animal Excise	178.18	134.13
Costs on taxes		1,184.97
Municipal Liens		114.00
Miscellaneous Refunds		25.00
Library Rent		700.00
State Tax Compensation		59.74
Temporary Aid and Transportation		426.34
	$528,258.43	$615,504.90
Receipts in excess of Estimate	87,246.47 (1)	
	$615,504.90	

(1) *Transferred to Surplus*

Recapitulation of Surplus Revenue — 1962

Balance January 1, 1962		$287,716.23
Appropriated at town meetings 1962		— 134,525.00
		$153,191.23
Deduct:		
Tax Title Takings — 1960 and 1961	$3,508.80	
Real Estate taxes 1962 added to tax titles of prior years takings	973.50	4,482.30
		$148,708.93
Add:		
Receipts from State for Highway Aid	$48,893.58	
Tax Titles Redeemed	71.80	
Additional taxes not entering into 1962 computation of tax levy	4.00	
Estimated Receipts in excess of estimate	87,246.47	
Appropriation Balances	40,219.57	176,435.42
Surplus Revenue Dec. 31, 1962		$325,144.35

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Fire Department

TO REPORT A FIRE OR AN EMERGENCY 6-3111
Station — Boston Road 6-3122
Chief Tupper 6-3014

Police

Local Patrol 6-3837
State Police 283-5671

Civil Defense **..... 6-3838**
Director Hintze 6-3030

Department	*Call*	*Telephone*
Assessors	Assessors	6-3816
Birth, Death, Marriage Certificates	Town Clerk	6-3816
Board of Health	Selectmen	6-3816
Building Permits	Town Clerk	6-3816
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Charities and Relief	Welfare Department	525-2750
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	6-3816
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Forest Warden	Fire Chief	6-3122
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Library	Librarian	6-4461
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Schools	Pines	6-4974
Schools	Springfield St.	6-4642
Schools	Memorial	6-3465
Schools	Stony Hill Road	6-4974
School Nurse	Memorial	6-3465
Selective Service System	Local Board No. 84	283-8836
Supt. of Schools	Minnechaug	6-4266
Taxes	Town Collector	6-3816
Town Treasurer	Treasurer	6-3816
Trees	Tree Warden	6-4675
Veterans Services	Veterans Agent	525-3305
Visiting Nurse	Visiting Nurse Assoc. Springfield	732-4145
Water Department	Superintendent	6-3816
		6-3060
	Sundays and Holidays	6-3413

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All Events Programmed Were Huge Success

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TOWN CELEBRATES 200TH YEAR

PARADE FLOATS AND BANDS EXCELLENT

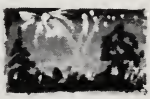
'OUR TOWN' PLAY GOOD

HISTORICAL PAGEANT "SPRINGFIELD MOUNTAIN"

FIREWORKS DISPLAY
50 Year Capsule Opened

OUTDOOR BARBEQUE

BEARDS JUDGED



Western Mass. Music Fest.

Palomino Polo Match

Dance Festival

Water Carnival

Recognition Social

Golf & Tennis Tournaments

Track & Field Baseball

NEW OFFICIAL TOWN SEAL ADOPTED

Grange Marks 75th Year

Policemen's Bicent. Ball

BICENTENNIAL BALL QUEEN CROWNED

Silver Tea And Exhibit

Exhibit of Arts & Crafts

Horseshoe Tournament

Special Church Services

Old Fashioned Circus

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BOWLING TOURNAMENTS

Cub Car Derby, Races-Finals

Blossom Time Home Tour

Flower Show

Horse Show

BURYING THE NEW CAPSULE

HEAR YE HEAR YE
WILBRAHAM
Bicentennial
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ANNUAL REPORT

WILBRAHAM

MASSACHUSETTS

1963

The feature section in this Town Report is:

"The Past, Present, and Future"

An important incident of our Bicentennial program was the adoption of a new Town Seal, which appears in the upper left corner of the cover.

In passing, we should also mention that the Town again received particular distinction from the Selectmen's Association, of a 3rd prize award for our Town Report last year.

INSIDE COVER: Early in the year several of these signs were erected around the town by Mr. Thomas Wells, left, and Mr. Maurice Disley, at right.

(Photo by H. Bogue)

Cover design by artist Richard C. Stevens

The history of our Town Records for the past 200 years may be shown by the following excerpts from each of the 50th anniversary entries.

1763

Wilbraham.

Here Begins The Records for The Town of Wilbraham which Town Originally was known by the Name of the 4th Precinct of Springfield and is now with an Addition of Land Incorporated into a Distinct and Separate Town as will appear by the following Act & Passed by the Great & General Court or Assembly of his Majesties Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Begun and held at Boston upon Wednesday the 25th Day of May AD 1763 ~

The recorder displays the sense of importance of events in the opening phrase.

(1813)

Art. 5 Granted Three hundred Dollars for repairing highways

Art. 6 Voted to Elijah Wait fifteen Dollars on the account of his Loosing his tax bills

The Meeting was then dissolved

Test Morgan Town Clerk

Of the six Articles, included in 1813, four had to do with votes for town officials and only two, reproduced herewith, had to do with money.

Wilbraham June 15th 1863

This is the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of this Town. It has been as fine and pleasant a day as could be desired

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Thus has passed the brightest and proudest day ever enjoyed by the people of the Town of Wilbraham

John M Merrick
Town Clerk

Deciphered this reads:

"This is the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of this Town. It has been as fine and pleasant a day as could be desired."

Then follow three long pages summarizing the parade, speeches and festivities of the day and the report is closed with a paragraph which reads:

"Thus has passed the brightest and proudest day enjoyed by the people of the Town of Wilbraham."

1913

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Hampden S.S.

To D.N. Eaton. Constable of the town of Wilbraham in said County. Greeting! In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in Grange Hall in Wilbraham on Monday the ninth day of March next at ten o'clock A.M. to act on the following articles. Viz.

Art 1 To chose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art 19 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate money for the improvement of the Highway from the Boston Road to the Springfield Line by building a sidewalk or otherwise

By 1913 the record was four pages long, and consisted of 19 articles.

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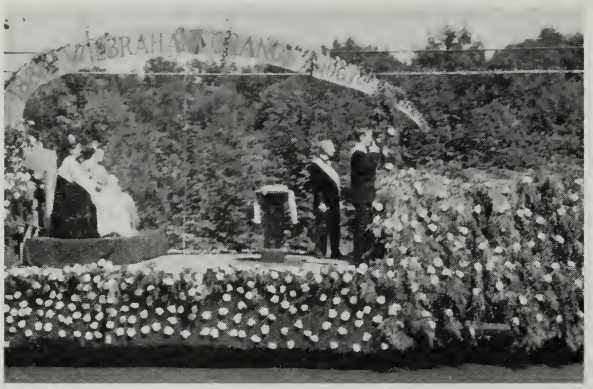

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Contestants for the Title of "Miss Wilbraham"

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The Queen and her Court: Left to right; Silvia Sekak, Marilyn Stacy, Queen Roberta Marco, Candy Lagone and Kathy Nelson.

The Brothers of the Brush

Photo by H. Bogue

The Kirk Family

Photo by H. Bogue

Photo by E. Nadolski

All dressed up and ready to go, in the Old-Fashioned way. Left to right: Mr. Alan Fritts, Mrs. Theodore W. Gebeau, Mr. Theodore W. Gebeau, and the Town Crier, Richard Goulding.

Photo by H. Bogue

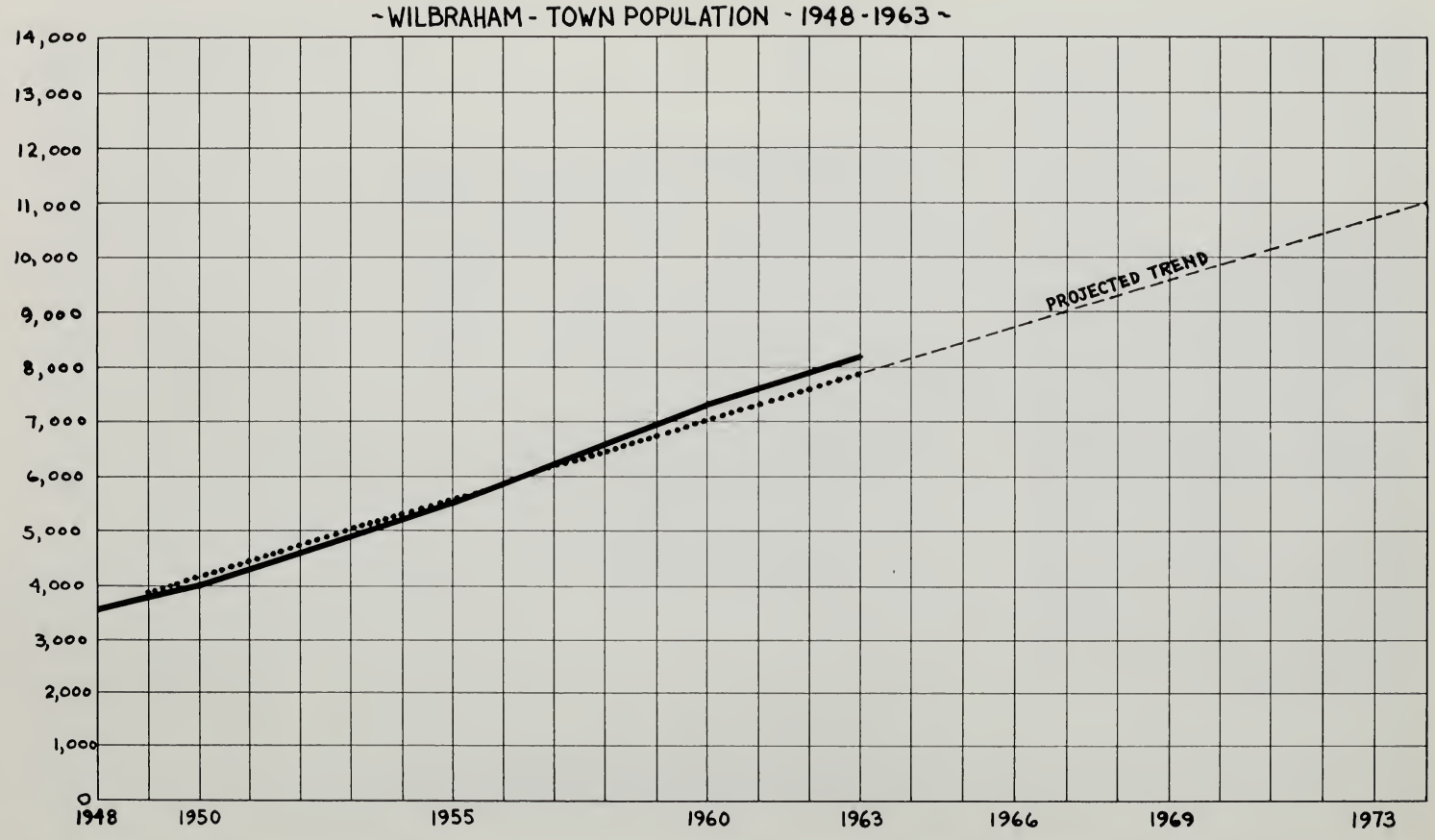
Opening the Old Capsule — Our Selectmen, Jesse L. Rice, Roger T. Hintze and Sidney Low and our Town Clerk Doris G. Cochran.

Photo by H. Bogue

Burying the New Capsule — Standing: Selectmen Sidney Low, Roger T. Hintze and Jesse L. Rice. In front: Bicentennial Chairman Robert A. Edwards at left, and Program Chairman Frank G. Shannis, at right.

Now, where do we go from here?

Probably about the only way we can realistically attempt to foresee the future is by a few chart projections — 1948 was chosen as the base year as that was when the Town started to "explode." Compared with 200 years, 15 years is a very short period of time. However, it is a serious responsibility of every voting citizen to remember that every new thing voted for, means not only the original construction dollars, but also the expansion of the supporting operating and maintenance services. Take a look at the following charts and note the trend. (Charts by Richard G. LaRochelle)


~WILBRAHAM - TOWN POPULATION - 1948 - 1963 ~
14,000
13,000
12,000
11,000
10,000
9,000
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1948
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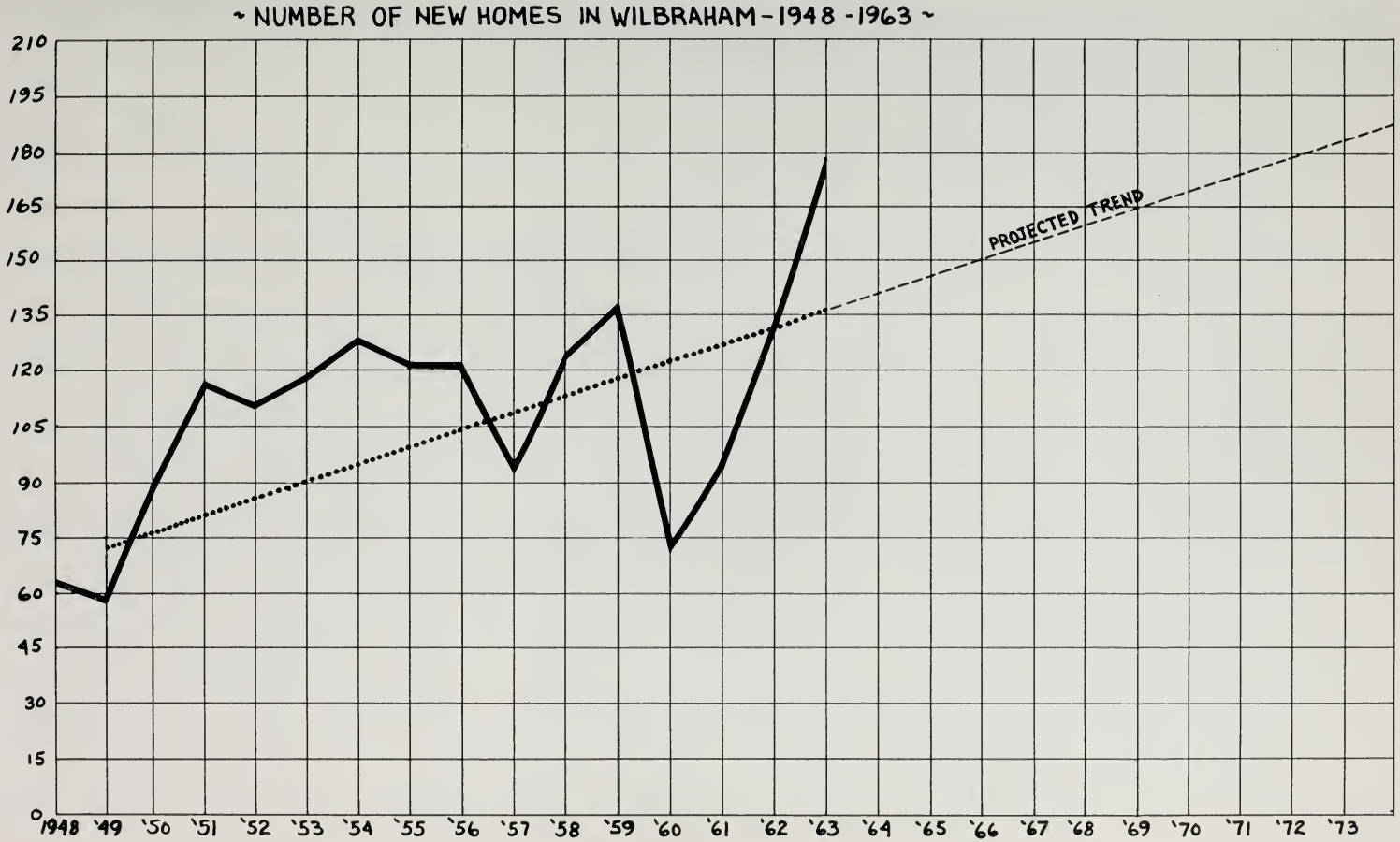
~ NUMBER OF NEW HOMES IN WILBRAHAM - 1948 - 1963 ~
210
195
180
165
150
135
120
105
90
75
60
45
30
15
0
1948
'49
'50
'51
'52
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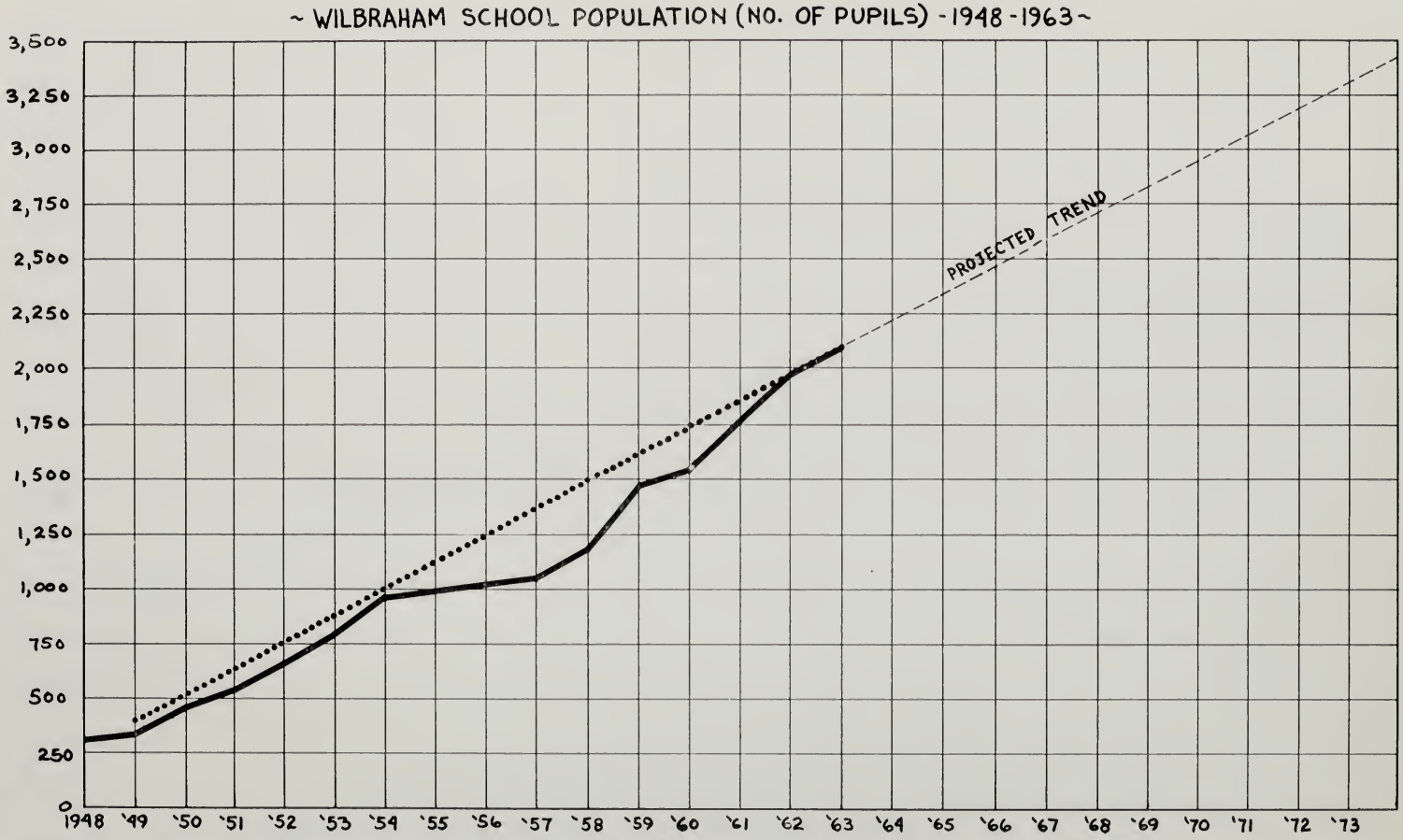
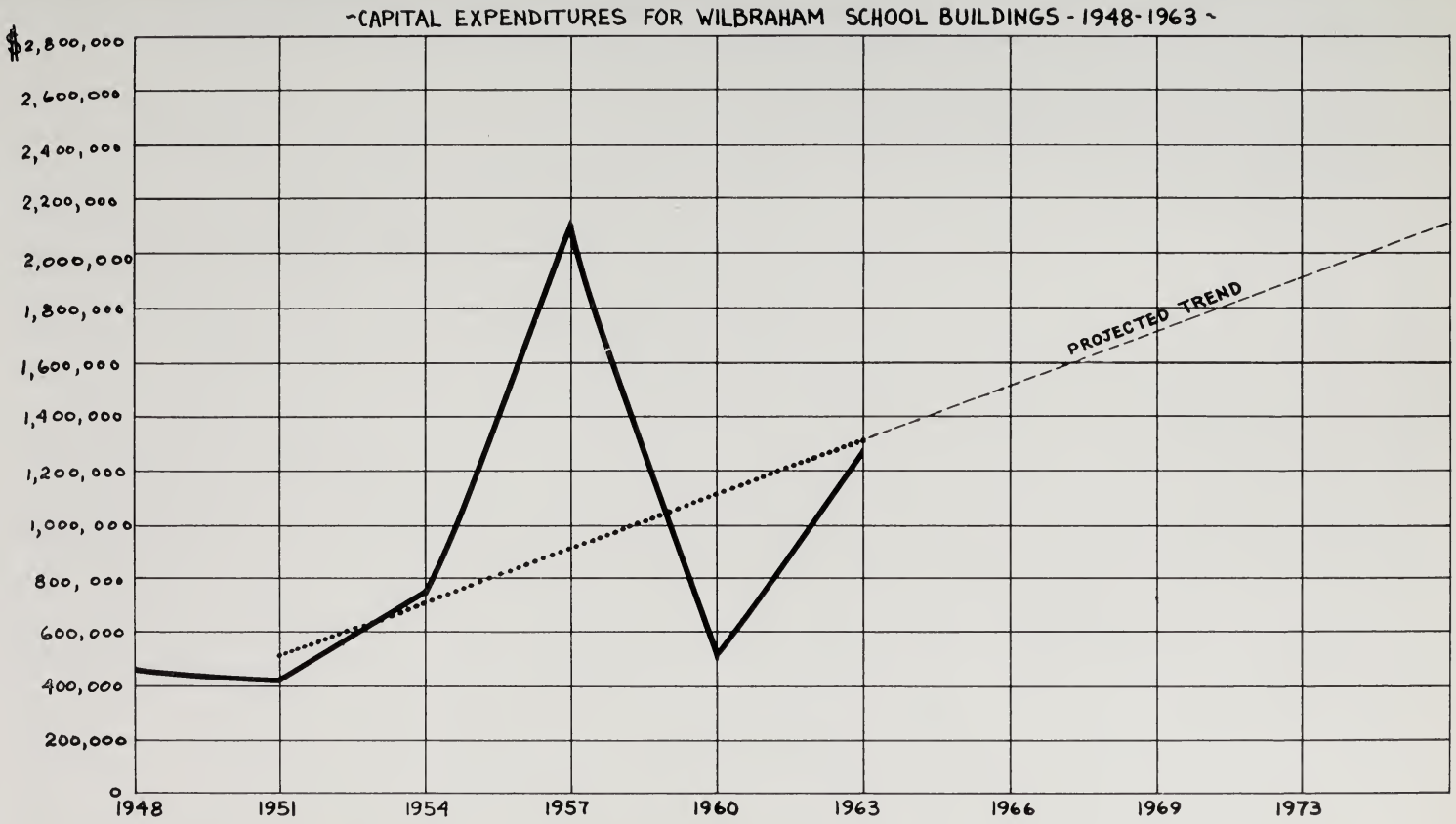

~ WILBRAHAM SCHOOL POPULATION (NO. OF PUPILS) - 1948 - 1963 ~
3,500
3,250
3,000
2,750
2,500
2,250
2,000
1,750
1,500
1,250
1,000
750
500
250
0
PROJECTED TREND
1948 '49 '50 '51 '52 '53 '54 '55 '56 '57 '58 '59 '60 '61 '62 '63 '64 '65 '66 '67 '68 '69 '70 '71 '72 '73


-CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR WILBRAHAM SCHOOL BUILDINGS - 1948-1963 -
$2,800,000
2,600,000
2,400,000
2,200,000
2,000,000
1,800,000
1,600,000
1,400,000
1,200,000
1,000,000
800,000
600,000
400,000
200,000
0
1948
1951
1954
1957
1960
1963
1966
1969
1973
PROJECTED TREND

Facts About Wilbraham

Settled:	1731
Incorporated:	1763
Location:	Eight miles east of Springfield
Population:	Approximately 8,500
Form of Government:	Town Meeting
Tax Rate:	$23.50
Number of Dwellings:	2,443
Property Valuation:	$48,540,240.00
Town Offices:	North Main Street — Telephone 596 3816
Public Schools:	Pines, Stony Hill, Memorial, Minnechaug Regional High
Private Schools:	Wilbraham Academy
Fire Protection:	Stations at Wilbraham and North Wilbraham. Telephone 596 3111 *for reporting fire only;* telephone 596 3122 for all other calls
Police:	Station at Town Office Telephone 596 3837 — if no answer, call STATE POLICE 283 5671 Chief John S. Leary 596 3376
Recreational Facilities:	Three playgrounds, swimming beach
Town Highways:	Approximately 67 miles
Public Library:	Boston Road — North Wilbraham Telephone 596 4461 Library hours: Weekdays, 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Saturdays during July and August
Churches:	Five—Wilbraham United Church, Grace Union Church (Congregational — No. Wilbraham), Glendale (Methodist), Church of the Epiphany (Episcopal), St. Cecilia's (Roman Catholic)
Highest Altitude:	937 feet — Mount Chapin

Selectmen's Report

1963 has been a most unusual year. It not only has been the year of our Bicentennial Celebration, but we like to think of it as the end of one great era and the beginning of another that has even greater promise for the future well-being of Wilbraham. Our progress, our development, and our future will depend on our willingness to face up to the immediate problems that are before us. Research and development are one of our most important activities and the citizens of this town are well equipped with potential ability to do the proper community planning that will be for the best interests of everyone.

The Selectmen are exceedingly proud of our Bicentennial activities. Every affair was characterized as exceptional and indicated good planning, dedicated effort, and a sense of being proud of our town. At the time of the parade, our town was a show place and we were proud to be your Selectmen and witness the civic pride and civic interest that was displayed for the benefit of more than 50,000 visitors. It was a thrill we all will remember for the rest of our lives, and may we express our appreciation to all the townspeople who took part and witnessed the affairs of this celebration.

The problems of "population explosion" have created a chain reaction along all lines of town services and we feel substantial long-range planning is required to solve these problems to eliminate any undue expense that might be created by temporary solutions. Your Selectmen and other elected officials have been trying to keep abreast of these problems and have made recommendations to forestall any undue increases in taxation. We learn that these problems have a compounding effect in meeting the financial obligations that are now required to bring many of our services up to today's standards. We hesitate to consistently cry "wolf," but we are arriving on the threshold and must face up to the problems and meet them with determination and good logical conclusions that will be less expensive to the town in the long run. We have been very successful in the past and have a right to be proud of our accomplishments; we have no one to thank but you people who have displayed good judgment in determining the solutions for the many, many problems that have been presented to you. All town employees have done a remarkable job. In comparing

the cost of the services rendered with those of other towns in the area, the returns on your tax dollar are exceptional.

The warrant has many articles for your consideration which are related to the future growth and development of Wilbraham. You have indicated in the past that you desire to preserve Wilbraham as a residential town, second to none, well planned and an ideal place to bring up your children. If we are to continue on this basis, there are now certain considerations that you must be aware of because of the financial obligations to maintain such a community.

We beg your consideration and careful analysis of the articles which are related in some degree with the future planning, safety, health and welfare for the benefit of the citizens of our town, namely:

1. Master Plan recommendations
2. Conservation Commission recommendations
3. Storm drainage study
4. Transmission line article
5. Sanitary sewer articles
6. Sidewalk articles
7. Establishment of a Personnel Board
8. Study Committees for the reorganization of Town services
9. Home Rule article

Space does not permit a detailed explanation of all these problems. However, where committees have been established and reports are included in this Town Report, please read and be prepared to ask questions. Where reports are not available, sufficient preparations are now being made to answer your questions at town meeting. We feel these are the first steps to be considered in molding your future program into an economical and efficient operation as far as the future of the town is concerned. The growth trends of the past fifteen years, indicated by charts shown elsewhere in this report, will give some idea of the growth pattern your officials are confronted with. Curtailment of this explosive growth apparently is impossible and, therefore, we must gear ourselves accordingly. These trends are unusual and exceptional, but what is exceptional must be considered normal as far as Wilbraham is concerned based on the experience of the past fifteen years.

In attempting to analyze the annual statement, we added to our surplus $94,057.01 which when added to our previous surplus

makes a total of $363,389.84 as available free cash for this year's use. Any amount spent from this surplus amount does not affect the tax rate. This amount also shows good management as well as efficient and economical administration. We hope to continue this same spirit of accomplishment in the future and, with your indulgence and confidence in your elected and appointed officials, we hope to see a similar or greater profit year after year. There is always a better way of doing things and your town officials must not become complacent and fail to seek still more efficient and economical methods in the future.

Your Selectmen are very much in favor of adopting recommendations as presented by the Master Plan engineer for adoption by the Planning Board and the citizens of Wilbraham. We have attended many of the meetings and are utterly amazed at the future predicted growth of our town as set forth in this report. We feel the recommendations contained in the Technical Planning Associates' report will eventually make Wilbraham one of the most attractive communities in the Commonwealth.

HIGHWAY PROGRAM

The Chapter 90 Construction allotment for 1964 will complete the reconstruction of Dipping Hole Road from the Springfield Line easterly to Stony Hill Road. This work is being done by our own Highway Department rather than to hire an outside contractor to do the work. Our experience indicates we get about one-third more mileage on such construction projects by doing the work ourselves. As soon as this road is completed, we plan to consider the reconstruction of a certain section of south Main Street.

The Chapter 90 Maintenance account is primarily for resurfacing a few sections of Chapter 90 roads that are badly in need of repair.

Chapter 81 funds this year are again not sufficient to do all that we should do on our local streets. This account takes care of maintenance items on our local streets.

For two years the State has given us funds under Chapter 782, Acts of 1962, and Chapter 822, Acts of 1963 to be used for the construction of roads that are approved by the Department of Public Works. The sum of $17,057.08, which is the total amount of these grants, is being recommended in Article 9 to be spent on the reconstruction of Soule Road.

SIDEWALKS

Articles 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 represent our sidewalk program as recommended by the School Committee for the coming year.

If these sidewalks are built, there will be considerable savings in our school transportation costs; therefore, there is an economic justification for this expenditure. Based on the present and projected school population, these sidewalks will be paid for in less than six years.

The proposed sidewalks are being built along our main traveled ways and coincidentally are also on our Chapter 90 highways. Experts have advised us that in the future these main roads will not be wide enough to accommodate the volume of traffic that is anticipated. The present roadways are only fifty feet wide and this whole width should be used for vehicular traffic. To reserve this whole area, we are recommending that an additional five feet of land be taken at this time for sidewalk use. Exceptions will be made to avoid cutting down stately trees and the sidewalks will curve in these instances. However, the land should be obtained now for future use. The question and problem of snow removal should be resolved to obtain the maximum use of these sidewalks during the winter. Several pieces of specialized equipment should be purchased by the town, or else it will be necessary to contract snow removal to an outside concern which will guarantee that the school children will be able to walk to school on snowy mornings.

By taking an extra five feet for these sidewalks, the present trees and tree belt will be protected; safety and general appearance will be greatly improved, and will also guarantee for the future the full use of the present roadways which will be the main arteries for vehicular traffic.

POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Both departments are asking for additional personnel to keep up with the demands caused by a rapidly expanding community. Your Selectmen and Finance Committee have studied these recommendations very carefully. The present proposals represent minimum requirements, and we beg your acceptance of these recommendations. The Selectmen are also requesting that a study committee be appointed to determine if the town needs a Department of Public Safety. We feel this is a very progressive step and many economies, improved service, and efficient operations can

result from such a department. A study committee would reveal these facts at a subsequent meeting. Addition of the new personnel at this time is needed to merely take care of our current problems.

TOWN DUMP

Because of the complaints filed by local citizens with the State Department of Public Health, your Selectmen were instructed to maintain a "land fill operation" which greatly increased our expenditures of the past year for this service. The sanitary fill operation that is now employed at the dump has reduced the hazards and complaints, and we hope to continue on this basis for several years. Your Selectmen appointed a "Disposal Research Committee" which was most helpful to us in resolving this problem. Many excellent recommendations were made for future consideration, and as needs arise they will be presented to you for your approval. The Board of Health budget for the current year includes the sum of $15,250 for operations at the present dump site.

SANITARY SEWERS

Wilbraham has two small sanitary sewer systems that dump raw sewage into the Chicopee River. The State Department of Public Health has also directed us to discontinue this practice before the end of 1966. This problem has been under consideration for many years, but action has been postponed, or delayed, until the other towns along the Chicopee River, which pollute the stream to a greater degree, were compelled to do likewise. The federal program to eliminate the contamination of rivers and streams in New England is becoming very effective and they are willing to contribute 30% of the construction cost if the pollution is eliminated.

Article 35 covers the construction cost to tie in with the Springfield sewer system. Since federal funds are available under Public Law 660, your Selectmen have made application for this particular project which is located in the vicinity of Pines School. We hope by the end of 1964 this project will be completed.

Article 36 covers the annual assessment that will be charged against Wilbraham by Springfield and your Selectmen have voted that such assessment should be charged directly against the users of this service. Therefore, a sewer tax will be assessed against each property owner who has a sewer connection. The annual

charge for this service is $15.00 a family. Industrial and business demands will be charged more based on the volume of sewage.

Article 37 which refers to a second small system in Wilbraham asks your permission to appoint a study committee to review the problems in the North Wilbraham section in the vicinity of Maple Street, Chapel Street, Boston Road, and Cottage Avenue. This study likewise will include recommendations for future needs for additional business and industrial expansion that might take place in this area. This committee is to work cooperatively with Tighe and Bond and your Board of Health. A proposal should be forthcoming before the next annual meeting. Our intentions concerning these impending projects will be filed with the State Department of Public Health on or before February 14, 1964 as requested, and we earnestly appeal to the citizens of Wilbraham to approve the recommendations as outlined in the articles.

PLUMBING CODE

The State Department of Public Health requires each community to adopt a Plumbing Code. If we do not have a code or fail to adopt the State code, the town will be assessed a fine of $50.00 each month until such a code is adopted. We reactivated the Plumbing Code Committee to update our own code that has been subsequently approved by the State.

TRANSMISSION LINE

Article 42 has specific reference to the transmission line. Your officials have been resisting the attempt on the part of the Western Massachusetts Electric Company to bisect the town with this transmission line. The decision, at press time, is in the hands of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Utilities and they have indicated that a decision will be made sometime in March, 1964. We have been pleading for consideration of an alternate route that would be less injurious to the future growth and well-being of the Town of Wilbraham.

We are asking for confirmation of our actions to date, and we appreciate your letters to State officials and other important State representatives which have been helpful. We appeal to you to continue writing such letters because we feel they are most important.

The Selectmen on October 10, 1963 denied the Western Massachusetts Electric Company the right to cross our public ways. Our letter to the Department of Public Utilities is a matter of

record and is on file at the Town Office for those who might be interested in reading it.

You can be sure that your Selectmen are unanimous in their opinion that the creation of a scarred landscape, denuded of trees for a width of 350′ extending through the middle of town (population wise) for a distance of five and one-half miles, in more or less of a straight line, with an unsightly mess of steel and ugly wooden towers with strings of wires stretched across the countryside, creating an unsightly, unattractive and undesirable appearance, would be absolutely inappropriate to the future residential development of a beautiful and attractive town. Therefore, the devastation of such property is contrary to the best public interest and welfare of the citizens in the community.

In the event the decision from the Department of Public Utilities is contrary to the best interests of our town, we hope with your approval of Article 42 to appeal such decision.

The various study committees we are recommending will do much to formulate the policies we desire to adopt for the future, especially the study committees for the reorganization of town services along functional lines. Such a reorganization will relieve your Selectmen of much of the unnecessary, trivial detail that we are required to execute under the present arrangement. We feel that these study groups will be able to recommend to you people a better solution to the problems that are now confronting us.

Even though we are faced with all these problems, the future is not bleak. The legislature in Boston must face up to the fact that we need additional tax revenue. They must also face up to the fact that the burdens of a town should not be placed on the income from real estate property alone. Your Selectmen have gone on record as supporting a sales tax, and it is imperative on behalf of the citizens of the town to express their feelings on this matter to their State representatives and State senators. We urge you to write in order that they will have some concrete evidence as to the wishes of you the people in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Roger T. Hintze, *Chairman*
Jesse L. Rice
Sidney Low

Report of the Wilbraham School Committee

Plato wrote, "The direction in which education starts a man will determine his future life." The directions are many in today's complex world. The Wilbraham School Committee is charged by the statutes of this commonwealth and by the voters of this community with determining what direction the educational program in this school system shall take.

There are many who propose a return to an education consisting only of the three R's; an equal number recommend a highly selective educational program, in which only the talented could be included. Standing between the two extremes is a policy of sound educational opportunity and a potential for academic achievement that will meet the needs of every student. Your school committee is continuing its efforts to develop and maintain such a program. The challenge facing Wilbraham and every other school system in this country is that of providing the direction of effort and stimulation of desire that will result in the maximum development of each individual.

The direction of the pupil is accomplished through the efforts of the teacher. This school system seeks to employ and retain teachers who probe beneath the surface — who experiment and stimulate. We look for teachers with ideas — interesting and challenging individuals — those with a full knowledge of the importance of sustained effort and a real desire to assist others in the learning process.

Has the school committee been able to staff your schools with this kind of teacher? We believe we have. A list of personnel employed in the public schools as printed in this report, reflects a depth of academic training and a highly important degree of experience. The seventy-four professional staff members hold ninety-four degrees from thirty-four different colleges and universities. Fifty members of the group have served more than three years in this school system and have been elected to tenure. Your committee believes this is an exceptionally well-trained and experienced staff.

In line with its policy of recruiting candidates of high potential and retaining only those who demonstrate both the desire and ability to improve their classroom teaching, the school committee has established the minimum teaching salary at $4,800 — a $100

increase over the previous schedule, established recognition for election to tenure, and increased the maximum salaries by $200. Your committee believes this action will provide the desired calibre of additional staff members.

One sound method of upgrading the educational personnel of our school program is through in-service courses and graduate study. In 1963, the staff participated in in-service courses in modern mathematics, handwriting, and social studies. Courses in French and art are scheduled for the spring term of 1964. More than half the staff participated in advanced academic programs during the past year at colleges, universities, and in the National Defense sponsored science, foreign languages, and mathematics programs.

The recruiting of qualified personnel to staff the additional classrooms and to fill vacancies caused by marriage and resignations is a continuous process. One hundred five colleges and universities have been notified of the position vacancies for September, 1964. Applications are being received and interviews scheduled. In line with the record of past years, it is reasonable to predict that for each teacher employed, fifty applications will be processed and ten candidates will be interviewed.

The committee has intensified its efforts to evaluate accurately the effectiveness of the academic program. One major criterion used has been the standardized testing results. Using the Stanford Achievement tests and the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills, Wilbraham pupils rank in the seventy-eighth percentile on the continental United States norm, and in the fifty-first percentile on the geographic regional norm. Based on the above average median I. Q. of our student population and the above-average socio-economic level of the community, this school system is achieving satisfactory performance when compared with the nation and with comparable communities in the northeastern region.

Of major concern to the school committee and a challenge to the long range continuance of a program of academic excellence in Wilbraham is the substantial increase in the number of pupils. Comparative enrollment figures for a five year period, as printed in this report, combined with the pre-school census figures, indicate steady increases not only in the number of entering first grade pupils, but in the number of families with school-age children moving into the community. Two figures emphasize the growth pattern: between October 1, 1962 and October 1, 1963, one

hundred seventy-one pupils were added to the grade 1-8 enrollment; and as of October 1, 1963, two hundred ten children were recorded as eligible to enter grade 1 in 1964.

As necessary in the development and operation of a good educational program as qualified and experienced teachers, is the requirement that adequate instructional space shall be provided. Since 1949, Wilbraham has faced the need for additional classroom facilities with determination and positive action by authorizing seven school expansion projects. With the completion of the new elementary school on South Main Street in the spring of 1964, there will be seventy classrooms, all but six constructed since 1949, serving grades 1-8 in this community. Each of the four school buildings is a complete educational unit carefully planned and equipped to function safely and efficiently. The enrollment projections, based on pre-school-age children now living in Wilbraham, indicates a 1969 enrollment of 2,325 pupils and a need for eighty-six classrooms, sixteen more than now exist.

The school committee met with the Board of Selectmen on December 17, discussed these figures, and requested that a School Survey Committee be named to study the enrollment projections and physical facilities, and to recommend an immediate and a long-range program of action.

Since May of this year, representatives of the Wilbraham School Committee, in joint action with members of the Regional District School Committee, have been studying the present and projected work demands of the administrative function for the combined Wilbraham Local and the Regional District systems. When the Regional District was formed in 1956, it was educationally desirable and economically efficient to coordinate the academic programs and utilize the business experience of an existing administrative organization by jointly employing a superintendent and sharing office space, equipment, and personnel. Since this program was established, no changes, either through assignment of responsibility or through the addition of personnel or equipment, have been made in the administrative office. In the past seven years, enrollment and personnel have more than doubled, five school construction projects have been undertaken, and the annual operating budgets have increased by nearly one million dollars. Enrollment projections indicate that the next seven years will require an accelerating expansion of staff, facilities, and budgets. It is the assignment

of this study committee to recommend programming, equipping, and staffing of the business administration and educationally sound and efficient utilization of funds and personnel.

The school committee recognizes with appreciation the efforts of all the personnel employed in our schools. The academic growth and professional attitude of the teachers, supervisors, and administrative staff; the constant attention to operational details and to the health and safety of the pupils by the supporting staff; and the uniformly excellent maintenance of buildings, grounds, and equipment by the custodians, all result in a school system of which we are proud.

The assistance, encouragement, and suggestions by citizens and elected officials of Wilbraham have greatly aided your school committee in its guidance of the school program. We shall continue to strive to fulfill our responsibility by providing direction for the educational program in Wilbraham.

Alexander W. Marco, *Chairman*
Ethel M. Musselman
Harry Dabagian
Bruce A. Stephens
Clayton L. Thomas

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Enrollment

The enrollment of pupils by grade as of October 1, 1963 is shown below:

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Spec.	Total
Stony Hill	112	123	116	135	130					616
Memorial						195	190	152	19	556
Pines	74	89	94	85	86					428
	186	212	210	220	216	195	190	152	19	1600

Census Report and Comparison October 1, 1963

Year Born	Year to Enter School	Census 1963	1962	1961	1960	1959
1957	1963	186	173	163	157	154
1958	1964	210	189	185	162	139
1959	1965	181	162	145	127	84*
1960	1966	209	181	152	112*	
1961	1967	159	138	89*		
1962	1968	128	79*			
1963	1969	99*				

* 9/12 of year recorded

Children in School Census and Their Distribution October 1, 1963

	5-7 Years	7-16 Years	Total
Boys	291	892	1183
Girls	262	845	1107
Total	553	1737	2290
Distribution			
In Public Schools	381	1582	1963
In Vocational Schools	—	6	6
In Private Schools	17	142	159
Not enrolled in any school	155	7	162
	553	1737	2290

Number of Pupils in Elementary Schools by Grades
Five Year Period 1958-1963

As of October of each year

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Spec.	Total
1958	148	136	126	126	133	147	122	104	92	19	1153
1959	172	162	140	123	143	133	170	101	*	23	1167
1960	186	185	167	151	129	136	148	157	*	23	1282
1961	186	187	184	175	156	141	149	138	*	17	1333
1962	190	193	198	196	178	165	146	147	*	16	1429
1963	186	212	210	220	216	195	190	152	*	19	1600

* Grade 9 now at Minnechaug High School

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1963-1964

First Term: Wednesday, September 4 through Friday, December 20

Second Term: Monday, January 6 through Friday, February 14

Third Term: Monday, February 24 through Friday, April 17

Fourth Term: Monday, April 27 through Friday, June 19

School will close on all legal holidays, Friday, October 18, Hampden County Teachers' Convention, and Friday, March 27, Good Friday. Schools will close at noon on November 27 for Thanksgiving.

The Wilbraham School Committee schedules regular meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Special meetings are scheduled as required; all meetings are open to the public.

1963 BUDGET

	Salaries	Others	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1963 Appropriation	$507,816.00	$153,184.00	$80.00	$661,080.00
1963 P. L. 874	10,000.00	11,000.00		21,000.00
1963 Budget	$517,816.00	$164,184.00	$80.00	$682,080.00
Community Program	$ 4,500.00	$ 1,500.00		$ 6,000.00

1963 EXPENDITURES

	Salaries	Others	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1963 Appropriation	$515,477.10	$145,176.68	$21.08	$660,674.86
1963 P. L. 874		1,562.61		1,562.61
Total Expenditures	$515,477.10	$146,739.29	$21.08	$662,237.47
Community Program	$ 4,423.90	$ 1,460.04		$ 5,883.94

1964 BUDGET

	Salaries	Others	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1964 Appropriations	$595,128.00	$157,215.00	$80.00	$752,423.00
1964 P. L. 874	16,000.00	16,000.00		32,000.00
1964 Budget	$611,128.00	$173,215.00	$80.00	$784,423.00
Community Program	$ 4,500.00	$ 1,980.00		$ 6,480.00

An examination of the 1963 budget estimate, 1963 expenditures, and the 1963 year-end account balances reaffirms the school committee's decision to recommend again to the voters a total appropriation for the 1964 budget. As evidenced by the plus and minus balances in account expenditures in the 1963 budget, the committee must have flexibility of management within the budget appropriation to continue to provide an effective academic program and efficient business operation. In the late summer and early fall of 1962, the 1963 budget estimates were developed and were, at that time, reasonable forecasts of the amounts needed. The total expenditures are at 97.09% of the budget estimate, but within the budget, as shown by the account balances, emergencies developed during the year:

1. Principals' Salaries (plus $1,225.56) — one principal elected to accept a ten month employment contract instead of an eleven month contract, as anticipated.
2. Expense of Principalship (plus $678.94) — the cost of operating a new school office for a full year was less than anticipated.

3. Custodians' Salaries (minus $496.51) — due to illness, there was need for a long term substitute on the custodial force.
4. Fuel (plus $4,908.38) — a below average degree day requirement occurred, and better operating efficiency of the systems was achieved.
5. Expense of Operation (minus $573.34) — increased pupil enrollment and additional area to clean, light, and maintain.
6. Repairs and Replacements (minus $1,459.87) — a new roof was installed on the 1923 section of the Pines School.
7. Transportation (plus $4,664.50) — use of sidewalks, efficient utilization of equipment, and the reduction in out-of-town transportation of tuition pupils resulted in this saving.
8. Tuition (plus $7,754.91) — only after pupils sign up for Trade High School and the adult evening program is scheduled can we determine the exact tuition costs.
9. Miscellaneous Auxiliary (plus $1,668.31) — is insurance costs, and includes estimates on the Pines School addition.
10. New Equipment (plus $1,642.20) — savings were realized by repairing existing equipment.

1964 BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS

CREDITS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH

Account	1963 Estimates	1963 Actual	1964 Estimates
Chapter 71, Section 7A (Transportation)	$38,000.00	$41,720.91	$42,000.00
Chapter 70, Section A	87,971.00	87,971.93	90,571.00
Vocational	6,500.00	5,283.67	5,000.00
State Wards	300.00	668.82	600.00
School Adjustment Counsellor	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
Special Class	7,000.00	7,618.42	7,500.00
Chapter 70, Section 3B (Regional membership)	13,195.00	13,195.79	13,585.00
Total	$156,566.00	$160,059.54	$162,856.00
Operating Budgets	$682,080.00	$662,237.47	$784,423.00
Less: Credits	156,566.00	160,059.54	162,856.00
Net Cost to Wilbraham	$525,514.00	$502,177.93	$621,567.00

The Massachusetts Department of Education has established a new budget expenditure reporting form for all public school systems; the 1964 budget appears in the new form here.

1964 BUDGET

New Massachusetts Department of Education Budget Form

	Account	Salaries	Others	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1	Exp. of School Com.		$300.00		$300.00
2	Supt's Salary	$10,600.00			10,600.00
3	Business Office	9,023.00	1,950.00	$80.00	11,053.00
4	Supervisors' Salaries	24,345.00			24,345.00
5	Principals' Salaries	34,204.00			34,204.00
6	Principals' Offices	13,892.00	1,080.00		14,972.00
7	Teachers' Salaries	437,825.00			437,825.00
8	Supplies Instruction		16,312.00		16,312.00
9	Textbooks		9,222.00		9,222.00
10	Library	8,031.00	3,360.00		11,391.00
11	Audio Visual		1,600.00		1,600.00
12	Guidance Services	7,986.00	1,058.00		9,044.00
13	Psychological Services	6,570.00			6,570.00
14	Attendance Services	7,765.00			7,765.00
15	Health Services	8,108.00	1,100.00		9,208.00
16	Transportation		62,902.00		62,902.00
17	Student Activities		100.00		100.00
18	Custodians' Salaries	42,779.00			42,779.00
19	Supplies — Maint.		10,424.00		10,424.00
20	Fuel		13,980.00		13,980.00
21	Utilities		10,786.00		10,786.00
22	Maint. of Grounds		700.00		700.00
23	Maint. of Buildings		8,810.00		8,810.00
24	Maint. of Equipment		1,600.00		1,600.00
25	Insurance		4,426.00		4,426.00
26	New Equipment		5,630.00		5,630.00
27	Tuition		17,875.00		17,875.00
	Total	$611,128.00	$173,215.00	$80.00	$784,423.00
	Community Budget	$4,500.00	$1,980.00		$6,480.00

Financial Report
1963 BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS
MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUDGET FORM

Account	1963 Budget	1963 Expenditures		1963 Balance	1964 Budget
Expense of School Committee	$255.00	$249.12	+	$5.88	$300.00
Superintendent's Salary	10,150.00	10,150.00		.00	10,600.00
Business Office Expense	10,252.00	10,099.65	+	152.35	11,073.00
Out of State Travel	80.00	21.08	+	58.92	80.00
Supervisors' Salaries	21,410.00	21,154.63	+	255.37	23,265.00
Principals' Salaries	27,024.00	25,798.44	+	1,225.56	34,204.00
Expense of Principalship	13,238.00	12,559.06	+	678.94	14,792.00
Teachers' Salaries	397,627.00	397,945.47	−	318.47	469,156.00
Textbooks	9,591.00	10,018.17	−	427.17	12,582.00
Exp. of Instr., Supplies	14,814.00	14,579.75	+	234.25	17,970.00
Custodians' Salaries	34,622.00	35,118.51	−	496.51	42,779.00
Fuel	14,230.00	9,321.62	+	4,908.38	13,980.00
Exp. of Operation, Misc.	17,775.00	18,348.34	−	573.34	21,060.00
Repairs and Replacements	10,575.00	12,034.87	−	1,459.87	11,260.00
Health	6,649.00	6,780.68	−	131.68	9,209.00
Transportation	64,852.00	60,187.50	+	4,664.50	62,902.00
Tuition	20,250.00	12,495.09	+	7,754.91	17,875.00
Misc. Auxiliary	4,946.00	3,277.69	+	1,668.31	4,706.00
New Equipment	3,740.00	2,097.80	+	1,642.20	6,630.00
Total	$682,080.00	$662,237.47		+$19,842.53	$784,423.00
Less:					
Available P. L. 874	21,000.00	1,562.61		+ 19,437.39	32,000.00
Amount to Appropriate	$661,080.00				$752,423.00
Community Program	6,000.00	5,883.94	+	116.06	6,480.00

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Office:			
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1950	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdett College
Joann L. LedDuke	Bookkeeper	1957	
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
Stony Hill School:			
Alan J. Rubin	Principal	1955	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Ruth Fay	Secretary	1962	
Gina I. Frangie	Grade 5	1954	B.A., M.Ed., American International College; Springfield College
Amelia Riley	Grade 5	1957	B.S., State College at Worcester
Alice Kozlowski	Grade 5	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Claire Formwalt	Grade 5	1963	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Alice Foley	Grade 4	1955	State College at Westfield
Mildred Powell	Grade 4	1960	B.S., Univ. of Nebraska; Univ. of Mass.
Virginia Sternberg	Grade 4	1961	B.S., American International College
Eleanor Fink	Grade 4	1962	B.S., Boston University
Charlotte Prochnow	Grade 3	1957	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Bridgewater; Springfield College
Therese Dowd	Grade 3	1957	A.B., Our Lady of the Elms College
Adele Kochanek	Grade 3	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Mildred Smith	Grade 3	1963	B.S., Indiana University
Marion Holland	Grade 2	1922	Springfield Teachers College
Judith Backus	Grade 2	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Madeleine Martin	Grade 2	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Valerie Lundberg	Grade 2	1961	B.S., Springfield College

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Stony Hill School:			
Clara B. Merrill	Grade 1	1944	Farmington State College
Joanne S. Ewig	Grade 1	1955	B.S., M.Ed., Skidmore College; Springfield College
Stella C. Mondoux	Grade 1	1958	B.S., State College at Westfield
Georgina W. Childs	Grade 1	1963	B.S., M.S., College of St. Rose; Syracuse Univ.
Henry P. Hyde	Custodian	1954	
Thomas Farnham	Custodian	1958	
G. Frederic Boyce	Custodian	1963	
Ella Lindsay	Cook	1957	
Isabella Rollins	Cook	1953	
Yvette Damoulakis	Cook	1961	
Helen S. Los	Cook	1962	
The Pines School:			
Helen S. Strauss	Principal	1930	B.S., M.S., Columbia; Springfield College
Patricia Frydryk	Secretary	1961	
Ruth C. Hood	Grade 5	1959	B.S., Teachers College, Danbury, Conn.
Charles Lockwood	Grade 5	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Mary Ann Herndon	Grade 5	1963	B.S., American International College
Marjorie Befford	Grade 4	1958	State College at Fitchburg
Evelyn Salisbury	Grade 4	1961	B.A., University of New Hampshire
Virginia M. Popp	Grade 4	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Emma B. Habin	Grade 3	1960	B.S., State College at Westfield
Judith M. Arnold	Grade 3	1962	B.S., Russell Sage, New York
Paula F. Coonan	Grade 3	1962	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College
Rosemary Birtwell	Grade 2	1961	B.A., State College at Westfield
Judith E. Bready	Grade 2	1963	B.S., State College at Westfield

Elizabeth Cuthbert	Grade 2	1963	B.S., Elmira College, New York
Mary E. Johnston	Grade 1	1950	State College at Westfield
Ruth S. Geigel	Grade 1	1961	B.S., Rutgers University
Catherine Alaimo	Grade 1	1961	B.A., Our Lady of the Elms College
Michael Pyzocha	Custodian	1954	
Mitchell Misiaszek	Custodian	1961	
Emily G. Bready	Cook	1960	
Jean Lajzer	Cook	1960	
Julia Dougal	Cook	1952	
Evelyn Dabrowski	Cook	1962	
Memorial School:			
Richard J. Curry	Principal	1954	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Richard S. Ullery, Jr.	Guidance	1958	B.A., M.Ed., American International Col.
Florence LeVan	Secretary	1956	
Marion Castaldini	Secretary	1956	
Muriel Boyce	Junior High	1960	B.A., M.Ed., State College at Framingham; Boston University
A. Louise Bradley	Junior High	1952	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Audrey Dabagian	Junior High	1961	B.S., Douglas College
Marion Didrikson	Junior High	1959	B.B.A., American International College
Robert P. Garvey	Junior High	1955	B.A., M.A., St. Anselm's; American International College
Rosemarie Gill	Junior High	1960	B.S., State College at Salem
Ruth W. Herter	Junior High	1959	B.A.E., Rhode Island School of Design
Kenneth H. Hultstrom	Junior High	1961	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Ruth S. Johnson	Junior High	1961	B.A., Oberlin College
Frank Marshall	Junior High	1958	B.S., Springfield College
Paul E. Pesce	Junior High	1960	B.S., State College at Salem
James Rafferty	Junior High	1957	B.B.A., University of Massachusetts
Julia Rosenbeck	Junior High	1954	B.A., Springfield College

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Memorial School:			
Cleone Smith	Junior High	1959	A.B., Middlebury College
Irene Walinski	Junior High	1957	A.B., M.Ed., Our Lady of the Elms; Springfield College
Joseph K. Zych, Jr.	Junior High	1958	B.S., Springfield College
Thomas Lennon	Grade 6	1958	B.S., American International College
Doris Kline	Grade 6	1960	B.S., M.Ed., R.N., L.L.B., Simmons College; Boston University; Wesson Hospital; Western New England College
Elisabeth Barnes	Grade 6	1962	B.A., University of Mass.
Gordon Bates	Grade 6	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College
William Kozlowski	Grade 6	1957	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
Henry Marcoux	Grade 6	1963	B.S., State College at Westfield
Garwood Whitney	Grade 6	1963	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
James Tremble	Grade 6	1960	B.S., Springfield College
Madeline Harrington	Grade 6	1952	B.S., M.S., University of Mass.
John Polaczak	Head Custodian	1949	
John Wnuk	Custodian	1959	
John Nordin	Custodian	1962	
Emma Chamberlain	Cook	1956	
Charlotte Babineau	Cook	1960	
Eva Cloutier	Cook	1958	
Marjorie Goewey	Cook	1960	
Supervisors and Special Subject Teachers:			
Ruth G. Backus	Elementary Supervisor	1953	State College at Framingham
Bruce C. Kurtz	Physical Education	1962	B.S., Springfield College

Elizabeth Richards	Physical Education	1962	B.A., Oberlin College
Millicent G. Green	Handwriting	1938	State College at North Adams
Marguerite G. Brady	Librarian	1942	Perry Normal
Esther Johnson	Music	1949	State College at Westfield
Marion H. McKinstry	Art	1956	Massachusetts School of Art
Margaret M. Kiely	Adjustment Counsellor	1959	B.A., M.A., American International College; Springfield College
Merilis Scott	School Psychologist	1960	B.S., M.S., Fitchburg; Springfield College
May Jenkins	Manager, Hot Lunch	1950	
Health:			
Janet M. Horacek	Nurse	1954	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Arthur Goodwin	Doctor	1947	M.D., Tufts
Transportation:			
George W. Motyka		1932	
Florence Butler		1962	
Paul Douillard		1962	

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Elizabeth R. Benson, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1963
Charles T. Coolong, teacher, resigned, June 6, 1963
Nancy M. Rico, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1963
Jean Podgorski, teacher, resigned, April 12, 1963
Mildred Lockwood, teacher, resigned, December 28, 1962

Report of the 1962 School Building Committee

At the 1963 Wilbraham Annual Town Meeting, the voters approved an appropriation of $525,004.00 and authorized the construction of an elementary school on South Main Street. A contract was signed with the Petronella Construction Company of Thompsonville, Connecticut, low bidder, and work was started in May.

No major problems have been encountered, and the building is now rapidly approaching substantial completion, with the necessary furniture and equipment being scheduled for delivery and installation in the late spring and early summer.

An open house and an opportunity for the citizens of the community to inspect this educational facility will be scheduled when the building is ready for occupancy.

Dorrance T. Green, *Chairman*	Fred T. Googins
Doris C. Bowman	Larry D. Lewis
Ethel M. Musselman	Edwin M. Osgood
Andrew G. Duzsik	Frederick B. Seal

Report of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee

Again, as in the last two annual reports, the District Committee believes that Minnechaug High School can be judged and evaluated as an educational institution and justified as an annual major financial expenditure by the record of its graduating classes. It is because the citizens continue to support a strong academic program for all the pupils of this School District that your committee is able to report continued growth and improvement. Members of the 1963 graduating class are now engaged as follows:

4 year colleges	59
2 year colleges	15
3 year nursing schools	1
Technical and Vocational Schools	5
Employed	23
Military Service	11
Married (girls)	4
Status unknown	7
Sisterhood	1
Post graduate study	2
	128

Combining the first three graduating classes from Minnechaug High School, the following totals develop:

4 year colleges	151
2 year colleges	40
3 year nursing schools	10
Practical nursing	4
Technical and Vocational Schools	22
Employed	58
Military Service	24
Married (girls)	8
Status unknown	15
Sisterhood	1
Post graduate study	2
	335

Based on the above tabulation, the school committee is proud to report that 45% of the graduates of this high school have enrolled in four year degree granting colleges, a 1% increase over the figures reported last year. With 68% of the graduates enrolled in four year colleges, two year colleges, technical and vocational schools, and schools of nursing, 17% gainfully employed, and more than 7% in the military services, it is evident that this school is making progress towards fulfilling its stated purpose of being a comprehensive public high school that will meet the educational needs of the majority of the pupils in this district.

Among the outstanding achievements at Minnechaug in 1963 must be listed: the five Barr Scholarship winners, the first time that any school has achieved such a record; the winning of the final contest in the televized quiz program, "As Schools Match Wits"; the Western Massachusetts and State Championships in swimming; and the Western Massachusetts track championship.

Any report of the achievements of a school must include an evaluation of the teaching and administrative staff. From the listing of personnel employed by the district, included as a portion of this report, the following information is available:

The 49 teaching and administrative personnel listed hold 70 earned degrees from 34 colleges and universities. Despite the fact that Minnechaug is a young school which completed its fourth year as a secondary school in June, 1963, 23 persons have served here three or more years and have been elected to tenure. Thirty percent of the staff is now engaged in, or has just completed, advanced professional study. This is a well-trained and

experienced staff, one capable of providing the advanced level of academic preparation so necessary to continue the present record of college and employment placement.

In support of its stated objective — "to recruit and retain outstanding people and educators to staff this school" — the district committee has improved the salary schedule, effective September 1, 1964, by increasing the minimum salary $100 to $4,800, a competitive beginning salary in this area, and highly necessary in recruiting promising first year teachers, added $100 to the schedule as recognition of a tenure appointment, and increased the schedule maximum by $200 to provide incentive for experienced qualified personnel to remain in the district. The committee has reenforced its desire to encourage continued professional study by recognizing superior achievement at the graduate level.

Of major concern to the school committee, as reported in detail in the 1962 annual report, has been the increasing enrollment and the urgent need to expand the physical facilities at Minnechaug.

In June of 1963, the citizens of the district received a detailed explanation of the needed expansion and the proposal by the committee to add additional classrooms. At special town meetings in June, the committee was authorized to secure detailed specifications and firm bids. At the 1964 annual town meetings in Hampden and Wilbraham, the citizens will be asked to approve the vote of the District Committee to incur debt to construct this addition. Construction is scheduled to begin in April of 1964, and the building will be ready for occupancy in September, 1965.

When Minnechaug High School was approved by the voters of the District in December, 1957, the plans provided classroom space for 675 pupils and core facilities: cafeteria, gymnasium, auditorium, specialized instructional areas, and operational facilities for future expansion to a 1,200 pupil school. The school was designed for economical enlargement and the concentration of instructional areas by subject, as needed classrooms were added.

The proposed addition, will have 19 non-specialized classrooms for teaching English, mathematics, history, and foreign languages; two chemistry laboratories, a foreign language laboratory equipped for individual and group verbal instruction and practice, and a 90 student lecture room for group instruction and study hall purposes. Minor changes are being made in the existing build-

ing to provide for expansion of the Industrial Arts, Art, Library, Home Economics, and Business Education areas.

Cost estimates for the additions are:

Construction	$384,000
Mechanicals (3.75)	131,000
Contractor's O & P at 8%	41,000
Site Development Work	75,000
Total construction cost	$631,000
Architect-Engineer Fees	50,000
Equipment	68,000
Contingencies at approx. 5%	31,000
Land costs	4,500
	$784,500

The actual amount of debt to be incurred will be reduced by the $17,000 balance remaining from the original building project and the $25,000 Surplus Revenue transfer approved for preparing detailed specifications at the June town meetings.

The cost of the project to the taxpayers of the District will be reduced by a state reimbursement of 100% of the planning costs, a reimbursement unique to regional school districts, and the five acres of land necessary for the proper operation of the septic tank, purchased with Federal Funds in the amount of $4,500. The cost of building and originally equipping the addition will be shared by the state on a 65% contribution basis, payable over the life of the bonds.

When the construction bids are opened on February 27, 1964, the District Committee will be able to determine the actual cost of this project and prepare a final budget. The committee will vote to incur debt and recommend approval of the construction budget at the annual town meetings; your committee asks the voters to support this project.

The committee wishes to record its deep satisfaction with all members of the educational and supporting staff for their hard work, their continued efforts, and their contributions to the welfare of the students; the improvement of the academic program, and the high level of business operation and plant maintenance.

Your school committee is cognizant of the support and suggestions of the citizens of Hampden and Wilbraham, and with this

report expresses its appreciation for the opportunity to serve in the challenging and rewarding capacity of directors of this school.

JOHN R. LYMAN, *Chairman*
DORIS I. BOWMAN
HARRY DABAGIAN
DUDLEY N. HARTT, JR.
ANDREW J. MULCAHY, JR.
CHESTER L. THORNDIKE, JR.
JULIA WINETROUT

HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1963

Planning and Construction Budget	
Balance January 1, 1963	$17,704.03
1963 Receipts — Transfer	25,000.00
Funds Available	$42,704.03
1963 Expenditures	12,730.55
Balance December 31, 1963	$29,973.48
Capital Cost Budget	
1963 Assessments to Towns	$91,238.89
1963 State Construction Grant	65,541.11
Total Available	$156,780.00
1963 Expenditures	155,780.00
To Surplus Revenue	$1,000.00
Operating Budget	
1963 Assessment to Towns	$415,724.23
1963 Offsetting Credits	74,302.77
	$490,027.00
1963 Expenditures	462,072.85
	$27,954.15
1963 Account Refunds	103.07
To Surplus Revenue	$28,057.22
Surplus Revenue Account	
Balance January 1, 1963	$41,241.88
Transfer to Planning Account	25,000.00
	$16,241.88
Receipts 1963	76,145.25
	$92,387.13
To 1964 Operating Budget Credits	76,291.09
Balance January 1, 1964	$16,096.04

ASSESSMENT FOR 1964 REVENUE

Capital Costs		
1964 Debt Service	$152,485.00	
1964 Credits, Construction Grant	65,541.11	
Capital Balance to Assess Towns		$86,943.89

Hampden 22.5% — $19,562.38; Wilbraham 77.5% — $67,381.51

Operating Budget		
Total Budget less Capital Costs	$529,952.00	
1964 Credits, 1963 Receipts	76,291.09	
Operating Balance to Assess Towns		$453,660.91

			Total
Pupils:	Hampden 136	Wilbraham 543	679
Percentage:	Hampden 20.03	Wilbraham 79.97	100
Assessment:	Hampden $90,857.46	Wilbraham $362,803.45	$453,660.91

TOTAL ASSESSMENTS TO HAMPDEN AND WILBRAHAM

	Capital	Operating	Total	¼ Payment
Hampden	$19,562.38	$90,857.46	$110,419.84	$27,604.96
Wilbraham	67,381.51	362,803.45	430,184.96	107,546.24

Assessments payable in four equal installments not later than the first day of April, June, September, and December.

PUPIL ENROLLMENT BY GRADE

October 1, 1963

Grade	Hampden	Monson	Wilbraham	Total
9	43		145	188
10	35		149	184
11	32	1	149	182
12	26		100	126
	136	1	543	680

The 1963 expenditures were equal to 95.67% of the 1963 budget estimate. In the early fall of 1962, the 36 budget accounts were developed based on previous experience and the information available. Only three account estimates were 100% accurate: Superintendents' Salaries, the Major Bond Issue, and the Planning Bond Issue. In these three accounts, a contractual amount had been established before the budget was adopted. In all other accounts, variations in needs, requirements, costs, and personnel resulted in plus or minus balances as shown in the budget analysis.

Major account differences in 1963 expenditures compared to the 1963 budget are:

1. Guidance Expenses (minus $745.30) — additional secretarial services were provided to assist in the duties of this office.
2. Teachers' Salaries (plus $11,860.49) — vacancies caused by resignations were filled at a lower salary figure.
3. Teachers' Expenses (plus $792.59) — funds scheduled for conferences and workshops were not fully utilized.
4. Textbooks (plus $886.93) — because of a program of rebinding serviceable books, fewer new additions were required.
5. Custodians' Salaries (minus $507.99) — illness resulted in unexpected overtime.
6. Fuel (plus $1,591.01) — the extremely mild fall, and efficient operation of the plant resulted in this savings.
7. Expense of Operation (plus $1,243.55) — careful use of supplies and utilities resulted in a saving here.
8. Transportation (plus $1,465.90) — the new sidewalk on Main Street in Wilbraham eliminated some planned-for bus service.
9. Contingency (plus $8,953.00) — no major emergency occurred.
10. Temporary Borrowing (plus $1,155.84) — borrowing of funds in January to meet the bond issue payment was arranged at a favorable rate. The note was paid off in advance of the maturity date resulting in an additional saving.

The Massachusetts Department of Education has established a new budget reporting form. The 1964 budget is shown in the budget analysis materials in the old form, in comparison with the 1963 budget. The 1964 budget is printed here in the new budget form.

1964 BUDGET

New Massachusetts Department of Education Budget Form

	Account	Salaries	Other	Total
1	Treasurer	$950.00	$940.00	$1,890.00
2	Expense of School Committee		465.00	465.00
3	Superintendents' Salaries	8,100.00		8,100.00
4	Business Office	3,910.00	1,330.00	5,240.00
5	Principals' Salaries	19,008.00		19,008.00
6	Principals' Office	6,030.00	2,185.00	8,215.00
7	Teachers' Salaries	263,740.00		263,740.00
8	Supplies		17,388.00	17,388.00
9	Textbooks		10,170.00	10,170.00
10	Library	6,922.00	3,910.00	10,832.00
11	Audio Visual		900.00	900.00
12	Guidance	21,261.00	1,795.00	23,056.00
13	Speech Services	12,300.00	275.00	12,575.00
14	Attendance Officer	100.00		100.00
15	Health	4,707.00	370.00	5,077.00
16	Transportation		35,826.00	35,826.00
17	Athletic Transportation		2,000.00	2,000.00
18	Cafeteria	100.00		100.00
19	Athletics	2,042.00	1,700.00	3,742.00
20	Custodians' Salaries	28,509.00		28,509.00
21	Supplies — Maintenance		2,500.00	2,500.00
22	Fuel		11,000.00	11,000.00
23	Utilities		14,020.00	14,020.00
24	Maintenance of Grounds		1,600.00	1,600.00
25	Maintenance of Building		4,875.00	4,875.00
26	Maintenance of Equipment		4,171.00	4,171.00
27	Retirement		4,200.00	4,200.00
28	Insurance		4,422.00	4,422.00
29	Athletic Insurance		1,400.00	1,400.00
30	Current Loan		2,000.00	2,000.00
31	Community Use	6,600.00	600.00	7,200.00
32	New Equipment		4,331.00	4,331.00
33	Athletic — New Equipment		2,300.00	2,300.00
34	Debt Service		152,485.00	152,485.00
35	Budget Contingency	4,500.00	4,500.00	9,000.00
	Total	$388,779.00	$293,658.00	$682,437.00

1963 BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS

Massachusetts Department of Education Budget Form

Account	1963 Budget	1963 Expenditures		1963 Balance	1964 Budget
Expense of School Committee	$250.00	$213.42	+	$36.58	$265.00
District Legal Expenses	200.00	170.18	+	29.82	200.00
Superintendent's Salaries	7,600.00	7,600.00		.00	8,100.00
Business Office Expense	5,265.00	5,391.72	−	126.72	5,690.00
Treasurer, Salary and Expense	1,422.00	1,498.85	−	76.85	1,890.00
Principals' Salaries	18,021.00	17,891.31	+	129.69	19,008.00
Expense of Principalship	8,177.00	8,152.70	+	24.30	8,415.00
Guidance Salaries	16,646.00	16,658.96	−	12.96	17,872.00
Guidance Expenses	1,673.00	2,419.55	−	745.30	5,184.00
Teachers' Salaries	258,109.00	246,248.51	+	11,860.49	282,803.00
Teachers' Expenses	2,120.00	1,327.41	+	792.59	2,170.00
Athletic Officials	1,682.00	1,472.04	+	209.96	1,842.00
Library	3,550.00	2,901.74	+	648.26	4,598.00
Textbooks	8,355.00	7,489.82	+	886.93	10,170.00
Supplies	11,047.00	11,161.31	−	114.31	13,203.00
Athletic Supplies	675.00	715.48	−	40.48	1,950.00
Custodians' Salaries	27,411.00	27,918.99	−	507.99	28,509.00
Fuel	11,350.00	9,758.99	+	1,591.01	11,350.00
Expense of Operation	15,085.00	13,841.45	+	1,243.55	15,620.00

Repairs and Replacements	8,377.00	9,026.63	− 569.46	9,247.00
Repairs — Athletic	740.00	740.05	− .05	1,500.00
Maintenance of Grounds	1,540.00	915.86	+ 624.14	1,600.00
Health	4,801.00	4,834.22	− 33.22	5,077.00
Health — Athletic	480.00	479.58	+ .42	400.00
Miscellaneous Auxiliary	8,303.00	7,798.22	+ 504.78	9,232.00
Insurance — Athletic	1,400.00	918.00	+ 482.00	1,400.00
New Equipment	5,022.00	5,913.83	− 891.83	4,431.00
Equipment — Athletic	2,500.00	2,498.12	+ 1.78	2,300.00
Major Bond Issue	148,050.00	148,050.00	.00	144,950.00
Planning Issue	7,730.00	7,730.00	.00	7,535.00
Transportation	35,826.00	34,360.10	+ 1,465.90	35,826.00
Transportation — Athletic	1,800.00	1,800.00	.00	2,000.00
Community Use of Building	9,500.00	9,064.65	+ 435.35	7,000.00
Cafeteria Operation	100.00	.00	+ 100.00	100.00
Contingency	9,000.00	47.00	+ 8,953.00	9,000.00
Temporary Borrowing	2,000.00	844.16	+ 1,155.84	2,000.00
Sub Totals	$645,807.00	$617,852.85	+$28,057.22	$682,437.00
Refunds	103.07			
Totals	$645,910.07	$617,852.85	+$28,057.22	$682,437.00

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
District Office:			
Joann LedDuke	District Treasurer	1961	
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1956	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Kenneth E. Johnson	Assistant Superintendent	1957	B.A., M.A., C.A.G.S., American International College; University of Conn.
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdett College
Joann LedDuke	Secretary	1959	
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
High School Office:			
Lincoln A. Dexter	Principal	1961	B.S., M.Ed., Rhode Island State; State College at Worcester
Richard I. Trenholm	Assistant Principal and Social Studies	1960	B.A., M.A., Bates College; Boston Univ.
Charles B. Thompson	Guidance Director	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; University of New Hampshire
Peter Gartner	Guidance Counsellor	1959	A.B., Bates College
Marjorie Bean	Secretary	1960	
Cammella Kerr	Secretary	1963	
Lucille Newhouse	Secretary	1963	
Teachers:			
Marilyn M. Ats	Languages	1961	B.A., University of Oklahoma
Jerry A. Badger	Biology	1963	B.A., M.Ed., Bates College; Springfield College

Donald G. Bamford	Mathematics	1959	B.S., M.Ed., University of Massachusetts
Charlotte Barry	English	1962	B.A., Our Lady of the Elms College; American International College
Carolyn E. Bjorn	English	1962	B.A., Eastern Baptist College
Richard A. Brown	Sciences	1959	B.A., Bowdoin College
William Vincent Burke	Social Studies	1963	B.S., M.S., Springfield College
Patricia Cox	Speech Therapist	1960	B.A., M.Ed., Northwestern University; Boston University
Judith A. Cross	Home Economics	1961	B.A., Keene Teachers College
James DeWolf	Industrial Arts	1959	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Alf S. Ehnstrom, Jr.	Physical Education	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Ruth S. Fairfield	Physical Education	1963	B.S., Springfield College
Margaret E. Fey	Languages	1963	A.B., Lake Erie College
Katherine Goulding	Home Economics	1961	B.S., State College at Framingham
Katharine Habig	Physical Education	1962	B.A., Smith College
Sharon S. Horton	Speech Therapist	1962	B.A., State University of Iowa
Marios Kacoyannakis	Social Studies	1962	B.A., American International College
Dwight D. Killam	Music	1959	B.Mus., M.Mus., Syracuse; Boston Univ.
Constance W. Kimberly	English	1961	B.A., American International College
William M. Kober	Physical Education	1960	B.S., Springfield College
Elizabeth Kulig	Business Education	1963	B.S., Boston College
Edgar H. Law	Mathematics	1960	B.A., Trinity College, Hartford
Vivian Little	English	1959	A.B., M.A., Mount Holyoke; Hartford Seminary Foundation
Henry Manegre	Industrial Arts	1963	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Dorothy Marot	Librarian	1963	B.A., Syracuse University
Harold K. Miller	Mathematics	1959	B.S., Springfield College
David L. Nass	Social Studies	1960	A.B., Brown University
Jean B. O'Neil	English	1963	B.A., American International College
John D. Peterson	Science	1962	B.A., American International College
Barbara Prackneck	English	1963	B.A., M.Ed., Regis College

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Teachers:			
George H. Robinson, Jr.	Mathematics	1959	B.S., M.Ed., University of Mass.; Springfield College
Valeta Robinson	Languages	1963	A.B., Middlebury College
Donald G. Short	Music	1962	M.Music, Boston University
Mary E. Socha	Languages	1959	B.A., College of New Rochelle
Richard P. Spencer	English	1959	B.A., M.Ed., University of Massachusetts; Springfield College
James F. Starkie	Music	1959	B.S., State College at Lowell
Karl D. Sternberg	Mathematics and Science	1960	B.A., American International College
Jean M. Stuart	Business Education	1961	B.A., American International College
Christine Trenholm	Business Education	1959	Ac.S., M.Ed., Bay Path; American International College; Trinity, Hartford
Joseph B. VanWest	Art	1959	B.S., Tufts; Dip., Museum School of Fine Arts
Louis Verani	Business Education	1963	B.S., American International College
Helen Walinski	Mathematics	1959	A.B., M.Ed., Our Lady of the Elms; Springfield College
Doris V. Williams	Art	1961	B.S., M.A., Columbia; Springfield College
Health:			
Arthur H. Goodwin	Doctor	1959	M.D., Tufts
Madeline Newsome	Nurse	1959	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Hot Lunch Program:			
May Jenkins	Manager	1959	
Leona Isham	Cook	1959	
Arlene Ross	Cook	1959	

Lucille Schieding	Cook	1959
Nancy Clark	Cook	1961
Marie Tupper	Cook	1962
Doris Willis	Cook	1963

Custodians:

Everett Pickens	Head Custodian	1959
Walter Polanczak		1959
Harold Rogers		1959
Stanley Strycharz		1959
Leon Superneau		1959

Transportation:

George W. Motyka	Wilbraham	1959
Charles Walker	Hampden	1962

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Delene Gifford, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1963
John Moore, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1963
Paula Munkelt, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1963
Lee D. Post, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1963
Laura Saunders, Librarian, resigned, June 30, 1963
W. Fred H. Winey, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1963
Dr. Gisela Koeppel, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1963
Richard Hopkins, teacher, resigned, February 1, 1963
Silvia Peterson, secretary, resigned, April 30, 1963
Patricia Anderson, cook, resigned, June 30, 1963

HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1962

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		*Liabilities and Reserves*		
Cash	$155,643.56	Payroll Deductions:		
		Federal Taxes	$4,594.75	
		State Taxes	1,103.57	
		County Retirement System	228.01	$5,926.33
		Federal Grant:		
		Public Law No. 81-874		11,332.20
		Revolving Funds:		
		Lunch	$3,366.88	
		Athletics	1,769.47	5,136.35
		Appropriation Balances:		
		Non-Revenue:		
		School Construction		17,704.03
		Surplus Revenue		115,544.65
	$155,643.56			$155,643.56

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$1,670,000.00	Serial Loans:	
		School Loan 1957	$70,000.00
		School Loan 1958	1,600,000.00
	$1,670,000.00		$1,670,000.00

Mr. Arthur H. MacKinnon
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
Boston, Massachusetts

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District for the fiscal year 1962, and submit the following report thereon:

The district treasurer's surety bond was examined and found to be in proper form.

The ledger accounts of the district were analyzed, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the district on December 31, 1962.

The books and accounts of the district treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and checked with the sources from which money was paid into the district treasury, while the payments were checked with the approved warrants of the regional district school committee. The cash balance on February 9, 1963 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement received from the bank of deposit, by examination of the savings bank book, and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The records of payroll deductions for Federal and State taxes, the county retirement system, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield were examined and checked. The payments to the proper agencies were verified, and the balances in the district treasury on February 9, 1963 were proved.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were proved with the amounts falling due during the period covered by the audit and were checked with the cancelled securities and coupons on file. The coupons outstanding on February 9, 1963 were listed and reconciled with a statement received from the depository.

The minutes of the regional district school committee meetings were examined. The adopted budget was checked, and the assessments for capital and operating costs were examined for compliance with the articles of agreement.

The records pertaining to the lunch program, athletic activities,

and miscellaneous receipts were examined and checked, and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, and summaries of the departmental transactions and the assessments due from the member towns.

For the cooperation received from the regional school district officials while engaged in making the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ
Assistant Director of Accounts

Aid to Agriculture

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth — Chapter 128 — the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provisions of the law under which they are appointed.

The Trustees are further empowered to maintain agents to conduct meetings or demonstrations, make individual farm and home visits and in all ways help to improve home and community interests in every way possible.

Their agents have made contacts during the past year in every community either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions, demonstrations or otherwise in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward better business, better living and better community service and have been capably assisted by hundreds of local volunteer leaders to this end.

In Wilbraham the following citizens have been of real assistance in promoting such assigned projects as have been conducted during the year: Mrs. Henry Boyer, Mrs. Clifford A. Bradway, Mrs. Donald E. Collins, Mrs. Robert Converse, Mrs. L. W. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grandchamp, Mrs. Mauri Korhonen, Mrs. George Lemieux, Mrs. Edward J. Luff, Mrs. Carl W. Meier, Carl Meier, Mrs. Ronald Nobbs, Jr., Mrs. William Richmond, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Denny Richter, Jr., Mrs. Jesse L. Rice, Mrs. John E. Robinson, Mrs. C. J. Smith, Jr., and Mrs. Eugene H. Wessells.

A total expense of $124.18 was incurred during the year for either travel or purchase of material needed in carrying on the various projects by the local leaders. The appropriation made by your town was used by the agents of the Trustees for only residents of your town.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1963 Appropriation	$150.00
1962 Unexpended Balance	60.20
Total Available for 1963	210.20
Total Expenditures in 1963	124.18
1964 Balance Available	86.02
1964 Recommended Appropriation	125.00

ALBERT H. FULLER, *Clerk*

Animal Inspector's Report

A total of 302 animals were inspected and found to be clean and free of disease. The break-down consists of: 143 dairy cattle, 21 beef cattle, 49 horses, 30 goats, 56 sheep, and 3 swine.

Two dairy cows were shipped into town from out of state and were inspected and the report sent to Boston.

ROBERT A. CONVERSE

Assessors' Report

The record of taxable growth for the year 1963 was disappointing. The total business and industrial growth being limited to one small industrial building, a grocery store, gasoline station, cement plant, and an addition to an Industrial Office. This cannot offset the added cost inherent with 178 new dwellings.

The General Court eliminated the Poll tax beginning with the year 1964. This was more of a nuisance tax than an income producer.

In 1963 the legislature passed a law exempting certain aged persons from part of their real estate tax effective January 1, 1964. Just how much revenue will be lost by this exemption will not be known for another year.

The method of processing the 1963 automobile excise tax was changed by the legislature. As a result of mechanical and processing delays at the Registry of Motor Vehicles your bills were not received until late in the year and many were incorrect as received by this office. Many of these errors were corrected before the

bills were mailed. The remaining errors caused a flood of abatements in this office which were processed promptly. It is expected that the State will have the new system working smoothly in 1964.

The Board of Assessors has submitted a bill for action by the General Court to add boats, horses and all hobby or leisure time equipment to the household furnishings exemptions.

We solicit your support of this bill by writing or phoning your State Legislators.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Appropriations to be raised by taxation	$1,774,030.21	
Appropriations taken from available funds	347,101.59	$2,121,131.80
Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years	701.43	
Tax and Assessments:		
State Parks and Reservations	3,068.89	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,677.98	
County Tax	13,340.58	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	297.40	
Overlay of current year	10,307.39	29,393.67
		$2,150,525.47

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Income Tax	$127,150.73	
Corporation Taxes	29,313.82	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	1,416.40	
Old Age Meal Tax	1,470.31	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	191,000.00	
Licenses	9,000.00	
Fines	1,000.00	
Special Assessments	300.00	
General Government	3,000.00	
Protection of Persons and Property	4,700.00	
Health and Sanitation	5,800.00	
Charities (other than Federal grants)	4,100.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal grants)	17,000.00	
Veterans' Services	2,300.00	
School (Funds from Income Tax not to be included)	50,800.00	
Libraries	1,500.00	
Public Service Enterprises	80,000.00	
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	4,500.00	
State Assistance — School Construction	74,638.29	
Farm Animal Excise	130.00	
Overestimates of previous years	559.78	
Taken from Available Funds	347,101.59	956,780.92

Net amount to be raised by taxation on Polls and Property		$1,193,744.55
Number of Polls 2,447		$4,894.00
Valuation of Personal Property	$2,049,145.00	
Tax on Personal Property		48,154.91
Valuation of Real Estate	48,540,240.00	1,140,695.64
Total Tax on Polls and Property		$1,193,744.55

Tax Rate per $1,000 — $23.50
School rate $17.15 General rate $6.35

ALLAN R. KINNEY, *Chairman*
EDWARD H. GODFREY
HAROLD K. JONES

Building Inspector's Report

Permits — Number and Type	*Estimated Cost*
178 Dwellings	$2,514,850.00
1 School	458,375.00
2 Commercial Buildings	39,100.00
1 Gasoline station	20,000.00
2 Swimming Pools	2,395.00
20 Room Additions	37,525.00
8 Alterations	6,490.00
22 Garages	24,315.00
4 Cellar Playrooms	2,550.00
9 Tool Sheds	1,300.00
2 Barns	2,800.00
5 Shed Dormers	8,250.00
4 Porches	2,030.00
2 Breezeways	1,040.00
1 Patio	195.00
1 Tent	
9 Demolition	
271	$3,121,215.00

101 Gas piping permits
142 Septic tank permits

Inspections: 535 visits to new buildings; 160 plumbing; 175 septic tanks; 28 additions and alterations; 101 gas piping.

ANTHONY G. MASCARO

Report of Bicentennial Celebration Committee

(Presented at Town Meeting - December 1962)

BACKGROUND - Since our last Town Meeting in December your Bicentennial Celebration Committee is now functioning as a group of 40 major committees and as many more sub-committees. In total more than 500 Townspeople are currently engaged in working out the details of various activities that will bring great satisfaction to all of our Townspeople, young and old. Though there will be interesting and important events throughout this Bicentennial Year, the principle period of celebration will take place June 14, 15, and 16. Some of the events scheduled are: Music Festival, Pageant, Celebration Ball, Sport Events, Town Supper, Town Sing, Fireworks and Parade.

FINANCING - Consistent with our Town's Fiscal Regulations, it is necessary that the total of $19,350. be made available to underwrite the various activities. The expense of certain "self supporting" events are included in this total figure. Income that these events earn cannot be used, but must be directed to the Town Treasury. As noted above, you have already appropriated $5,000. This $5,000., with the $14,350. required by Article 34, provides the total amount of $19,350. needed. It might be noted that the amount, and the method of providing funds, is related to that used by neighboring towns during their celebrations.

SELF SUPPORTING EVENTS - The $19,350. being appropriated includes $7,000. in underwriting expenses involved for the Pageant, Celebration Ball, Town Supper and Plate Sale. We have every assurance that these events will pay for themselves, and with good town participation provide a profit. All income from these events will go directly to our Town Treasury.

SPONSORED ACTIVITIES - Our Business Participation Committee has found the response from business firms very encouraging. These firms have expressed enthusiastic interest in sponsoring certain activities materially and financially. The extent of this participation makes us hopeful that we will further reduce our expenses by about $5,000.

NET COST - Therefore, though $19,350. is being requested by your Bicentennial Celebration Committee, we should recognize that from this total we should deduct $7,000., representing self supporting events, and we should also expect to deduct about $5,000., represented by activities that will be sponsored. Hence, bases on these facts the *NET COST* to our Town should be about $7,350.

YOUR PART - We are fortunate to have in our wonderful town men and women who have been willing to give their time unselfishly to make this program possible. We sincerely hope that you will enthusiastically support the activities that have been planned. In so doing we are confident that a memorable time will be had by all, and that financial success is assured.

Robert A Edwards, Chairman
Frank G. Shannis, Program Chairman

ACTUAL EXPENSES

BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

FINANCIAL REPORT

December 31, 1963

ITEM OR EVENT	ESTIMATED EXPENSE	ACTUAL EXPENSE	INCOME		EXPENSE OR PROFIT
			SALES	SPONSORS	
BICENTENNIAL BALL	2500.00	1531.72	2397.22		865.50
BICENTENNIAL PLATE	1450.00	2288.90	4083.25		1794.35
FIREWORKS	1500.00	1500.00		1500.00	00.00
MUSIC FESTIVAL	350.00	91.00			(91.00)
PAGEANT	1500.00	1027.37	2014.00	1000.00	1986.63
PARADE, FLOAT	3300.00	3306.82		1650.00	(1656.82)
POLICE, TRAFFIC	2000.00	2275.01			(2275.01)
PUBLISHED, PROGRAM	2050.00	2063.00		2050.00	(13.00)
QUEEN, YOUTH FESTIVAL	200.00	349.83			(349.83)
TOWN SUPPER	2000.00	2429.85	2084.31		(345.54)
PUBLIC RELATIONS	1500.00	1423.35			(1423.35)
SPECIAL SERVICES	1800.00	2084.60			(2084.60)
CONTINGENCIES	500.00	313.46			(313.46)
OTHER INCOME				918.00	918.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATED*	20,650.00				
TOTAL ACTUAL EXPENSE		20,684.91			
TOTAL INCOME			10,578.78	7118.00	
TOTAL COST					(2988.13)

* *Includes $1300.00 advance from Town Reserve Fund needed to reorder more Bicentennial Plates as a result of better than expected sales.*

PARENTHESES = EXPENSE
NO PARENTHESES = PROFIT

Report of By-Laws Study Committee

The By-Laws Study Committee, appointed by the selectmen as authorized by a vote at the last annual meeting, held its initial meeting on October 10, 1963. As a result of considerable correspondence with State bureaus and agencies and through the cooperation of ten selected towns, we have obtained from them copies of recent editions of their By-Laws and we are looking these over for ideas to use in our own revised edition.

The Town By-Laws affect us all individually and collectively and no doubt there are some of us who, at one time or another, have questioned the wording or the intent of one or more of these laws. In view of the impending revision, now would be the logical time to bring up any such questions for discussion and clarification. We therefore strongly urge each resident of Wilbraham, either as an individual or as a member of a business, social or town group, to give the matter serious thought and contact this committee through the Town Office regarding any suggested changes in, or additions to, our current By-Laws.

Richard L. Danforth, *Chairman*
John F. Fitzgerald
Sidney Low
William Sullivan, Jr.
W. Edwin Watkins

Civil Defense

During the first part of the year considerable emphasis was placed on the establishment of public shelters in Wilbraham. A federal survey was made and after inspection of several proposed shelters by your Civil Defense Director, only one establishment was satisfactory from a suitability viewpoint and therefore we applied for a shelter license for this particular facility. This shelter will accommodate 197 people and is located at the State Line Potato Chip Company.

Eventually it will be stockpiled with emergency rations as per government specifications for the number of people such shelter will accommodate. Our local public shelter situation is pathetic, critical, and very inadequate and, therefore, we urge all citizens to provide the best possible solution for their own family needs relative to shelters. The situation regarding adequate public shelters for the citizens in Wilbraham is therefore ridiculous and we hope as time goes on more spaces can be developed and eventually the program will accommodate a larger percentage of the

citizens of the town. In the meantime, each family is urged to be resourceful and provide some form of shelter protection from the radioactive fall-out which is one of our most deadly unseen enemies in this nuclear age of ours.

We hope state legislation will demand public shelter areas in all new public buildings. Funds are now available from the federal government for this purpose, but under the circumstances any construction of shelters in existing buildings is economically impossible and only attractive in connection with new construction. It would take many years to adequately provide enough public shelter places for all the residents of Wilbraham. It is unfortunate a compulsory program was not in vogue at the beginning of our school building program many years ago because today our situation would be much better.

The philosophy of your local Civil Defense Authority has not changed as previously stated in other annual reports. In other words, develop your own "foxhole" or else suffer the consequences. If you are interested in surviving, provide your own shelter for your own needs and know how to take care of yourself and your family. These things we have stressed for many years and have tried to be helpful to the extent of furnishing information and instruction whenever needed.

One item that we are extremely proud of is the portfolio for the "Survival Begins At Home" series. This is a series of articles prepared and approved by the American Medical Association which contains the basic information each and every family should know concerning survival requirements and emergency needs. These articles are free at the Civil Defense Headquarters and many hundreds have been taken home by the school children. The portfolio to keep these articles or other pertinent survival information cost $1.00. Every family should take advantage of this opportunity to have a ready reference manual handy so that they may know "what to do," "when to do it," and "how to do it" if and when the time should ever arrive that would indicate an emergency and then your family would not be caught unprepared.

During the past year we were successful in obtaining a few hundred water containers from the federal government surplus property program that we distributed free of charge to the people who subscribed to this portfolio on a first come first served basis. The supply is exhausted and we have requested more. As soon

as they are received distribution will be made to every one interested. You will be advised through the newspapers if we are successful in obtaining this additional order. We are constantly looking for additional aids that might be helpful to families in planning and providing their own shelter program.

We have made several trips during the past year to the government surplus property warehouse in Taunton to obtain equipment, supplies, and materials that can be used by your Civil Defense Authority or the town departments at a very small fraction of the actual cost of the article. Some of the items obtained are used by the respective departments immediately and others are stockpiled for future use. Our plan for the future is primarily "emergency planning" for the community. Every town should have some well defined plan for any emergency and we place a great deal of emphasis along this line of reasoning in accumulating all we can for as little cost as possible.

Wilbraham now has six radiological stations and this service is under the direction of Professor Randolph of Wilbraham Academy. We must find enough additional personnel to man these stations around the clock if we are to have a well rounded emergency fall-out program. The Geiger counter is the only way of detecting fall-out and radiological teams combined with radio communications is a very vital part of our current program. Monitoring teams have been trained and Professor Randolph is planning additional courses. If you are interested in this phase of activity, we would suggest you contact Professor Randoph or watch the newspapers as to the time and place of his next radiological monitoring course.

Every Monday night is "radio night," and this service is under the direction of Frederic Boyce. He is constantly looking for new volunteers to learn this phase of communications. Our radio unit is one of the best in this area and the personnel are excellently trained. We are very proud of all those who are taking part. If we ever do have a catastrophe of any kind, I am sure radio communications in the Town of Wilbraham will definitely be of great value to all concerned.

Our budget for the coming year has been considerably reduced over the previous years, and we would prefer to continue on with the same type of program that we embarked upon in 1955 and as major items of importance come to our attention and we need additional funds, we would prefer to go before the towns-

people and have them vote upon these major items rather than to enter into a program that would be more expensive year after year.

We wish to thank all those who are participating and any time you desire any information whatever concerning your civil defense needs, do not hesitate to get in touch with your local director.

ROGER T. HINTZE, *Director*

Report of the Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission, which was appointed by the Selectmen in August 1963, has held eight meetings. The time has been spent in attempting to explore all possible areas of interest to the town and methods by which they could be handled. With this in mind, the Commission has met with all the pertinent town boards and state agencies. It has begun to define its objectives and started investigation of their achievement. It would like to join the State Federation of Conservation Commissions in 1964, to receive help and ideas from other areas that are also working on these same problems. We are interested and concerned in the problem of river pollution, storm drainage, recreation areas, wild life refuges, nature trails and town forests.

We have accepted a lot in the furtherance of this program.

G. MILO GREEN, *Chairman*
FRANCIS J. BENNETT
DAVID E. BIRKHAEUSER
HEROL HARRINGTON
DORIS MAGRUDER
JOHN C. SEVEY
RICHARD C. SWAIN

Dog Officer's Report

A total of 810 dogs were licensed in 1963. This is an increase of 52 from last year.

Forty-one dog bites were reported and investigated. The dogs were quarantined for 10 days.

Forty-six stray dogs were picked up and of these 35 were returned to the owner. Eleven were disposed of.

Twenty-two dogs were reported missing by the owners — 12 dogs were recovered.

Ten dogs were killed by automobiles and were disposed of.

Thirty-eight complaints were reported and investigated.

Sixteen turkeys were killed by roving dogs. The owners were reimbursed by the county.

ROBERT A. CONVERSE

Electrical Inspector

From the period from January 1, 1963 through December 31, 1963 there were 291 electrical permits issued. This is an increase of 21 permits over last year. This increase was particularly pronounced in permits issued for new residences which was 52 higher than last year. The permits for 1963 were as follows:

176 new residences
17 increased or new services
24 additional receptacles installed
13 hot water heaters
13 additional rooms finished
14 new oil burners
7 commercial buildings or schools
11 electric ranges or dryers
16 miscellaneous lights, pumps, lamp posts, signs, etc.

William E. Fitzgerald, Jr.

Fire Department

Telephone number LY 6-3111, our emergency telephone for incoming calls, is to be used for reporting fires and emergencies *only*. Keep this number posted by your telephone and dial it yourself, giving your name and address, what type of emergency and stay with the dispatcher until all information is given. By dialing operator much delay is involved. *This is very important.*

All other calls pertaining to Fire Department, please dial LY 6-3122 or LY 6-3014.

Fire Loss:

Buildings (48)	$16,654.65
Contents	8,421.00
Assessed Valuation	690,040.00

Department responded to 386 alarms: 48 buildings, 123 grass and brush, 17 automobiles, 11 dumps, 5 demolished buildings, 1 gasoline spill, 1 freight car, 2 A.D.T., 11 mutual aid out of town, 2 false alarms, 5 miscellaneous, and 160 emergencies.

Fifty-eight permits were issued for installation of oil-burning equipment, 29 permits for installation of L.P. gas equipment, 7 permits for dynamite, 1 permit for fire works; 192 inspections,

87 extinguishers were recharged. All schools and public buildings were inspected quarterly and found in order.

For their cooperation and assistance, I express my heartfelt gratitude to the Fire Dispatchers, the call men, the auxiliary, to the members of the Board of Selectmen, Fire Commissioners, Chief of Police John S. Leary and his staff, State Police, Chief Dubois and his men of the Ludlow Fire Department, and all others who may have helped during the past year.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR., *Fire Chief*

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Permanent: Chief Ralph Tupper, Sr., Assistant Chief Cyril Woods; Privates: Richard Cochran, Robert Macauley, Wayne Rice.

Medical Officer: Dr. Richard H. Butler.

Dispatchers: Mary Chapman, Berenice Tupper, Martha Woods.

Call Firemen: Assistant Chief Raymond Beach, Jr.; Captain John Campsie; Drill Master Lt. Charles Dorey; First Aid Instructor, Harold Porter; George King, Roger Whitehill, Philip Shaw, Jr., Ronald VonFlatern, David Macdonald, Andrew Grzybowski, Bryant Carpenter, Clifton Scott.

Auxiliary Firemen: Stanley Johnson, Walter Howe, John Anderson, Richard Beane, Homer Henley, Edward Bach, Richard Croft, Robert Maynard, James Denniss, Pat Rossall, Leonard VonFlatern, Ephraim Carron, William Mobley, Karl Tupper, William Tupper, Edward Clark, Lawrence Rose, Kent Folsom, David McDonald, Darrell Long, William Strosberg.

Forest Warden

Four thousand, four hundred and nine (4,409) permits were issued for open-air fires. At numerous times of the year, no burning in the open is allowed. For said permit, dial LY 6-3122 or LY 6-3014. Our emergency telephone LY 6-3111 is not to be used for this purpose.

The only incinerator that can be used in the open without a permit must be one that releases no sparks or open flame. Wire basket type is not allowed in Wilbraham. If in doubt when purchasing an incinerator, call the Fire Chief for information.

Deputy Forest Wardens: John Leary, John Chrzanowski, Newton Gowey, Steven Lopata, Terrence Reidy, Cyril Woods, Charles Dorey, John Campsie, Raymond Beach, Jr., Richard Cochran, Robert Macauley, and Wayne Rice.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR.

Board of Health

During 1963, eighteen licensed eating and drinking establishments were inspected and nine markets were inspected at least once every two months.

Three day camps, one motel, and six overnight camps or cabins were inspected at least once during the year.

Thirty-eight store milk licenses, fourteen milk dealer's licenses, and nine oleomargarine licenses were issued during 1963.

Seven public health nuisance complaints were investigated. All seven nuisances were abated satisfactorily.

Twenty samples of water from private sources, three samples from Spec Pond and one sample from Nine Mile Pond were obtained and analyzed during the year.

The town dump was inspected frequently and since the Board of Selectmen established a modified sanitary fill disposal system, maintenance of the dump has been excellent. One public hearing was attended with relation to the dump. It is felt that the Selectmen have complied with the recommendations of the State Department of Public Health as far as present finances are available.

Two extensive drainage and sewerage problems were investigated. Recommendations have been followed in one case, with recommendations pending from the State Department of Health in regard to the other problem.

All itinerant restaurants and vendors were inspected during the Bicentennial parade. The town should be commended for organizing and following through with such a large and fine celebration.

My sincere thanks to the citizens of Wilbraham and to the Board of Selectmen for the excellent cooperation extended to me in 1963. This fine cooperation can only mean a better town for its citizens.

JOHN A. BRICKETT, R.S., *Agent—Sanitarian*

Industrial Development Committee Report

Meetings of this Committee were held on a bi-weekly basis during the year, with several special meetings called for consideration of immediate matters.

The Committee spent much of its time and efforts this year in an evaluation of land and properties available in the Town for future industrial and commerical development. Working from

detailed maps, Committee members walked or drove over every area now zoned for such development, and examined outlying acreage where zone changes might make development of this type possible.

The result of this survey is not encouraging. A substantial part of the presently available industrial and commercial land is located along Route 20, and needs a considerable amount of filling and levelling by modern methods to make it suitable at an early date for industrial building. There are no large areas at present which could be developed into an "industrial park" without extensive preparatory work.

Therefore, the Committee has found it necessary to confine its sales activities to prospects who require comparatively small acreage and whose plants or buildings would individually bring no substantial tax revenue to the Town. There have been several such prospects with whom we have been working, and 1964 is bringing more tangible results from 1963 activities.

Discussion with a representative of Technical Planning Associates on their general analysis of future planning and physical layout of the Town confirmed the Committee's opinion that more acreage in suitable land must be made available if the Town is to enjoy any tax relief from industrial and commercial expansion. This can only be accomplished by changes in present zoning, especially along Boston Road, and by some inducement to owners of presently zoned areas to prepare their land for building.

The Committee is most appreciative of help given to them by the Planning Board through our liaison member, William E. Leonard, and by permitting us consultation time with Technical Planning Associates.

Leo Paradis, *Chairman*
Francis X. Donohue, *Vice Chairman*
Beatrice L. Becker, *Secretary*
Robert H. Chapman
Nicholas E. Carr
Winston T. Leavitt
Franklin T. Richardson

1963-1964 Jury List

Archambault, Vic, 49 Brainard Rd., N.W. ..... Mason Contractor
Bedard, Charles J., 92 Manchonis Rd., N.W. ..... Electrician
Blauvelt, Doris C., 913 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Bocchino, Alphonse F., 9 Shirley St., W. ..... Printer
Bogue, Howard C., 2697 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Clerk
Boyce, G. Frederic, 3113 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Printer
Brooks, Marion, 904 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Medical Secretary

Brower, Van Pelt, Jr., 23 Decorie Dr., W. ..... Chemical Engineer
Chapman, Robert H., 2009 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Motel owner
Chechile, Fred A., 21 Jewell Lane, W. ..... Self-employed—floor covering
Chlastawa, Edward J., 65 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Telephone installer
Clark, Edward N., 1215 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Carpenter
DeMarco, John C., 9 Brainard Rd., W. ..... Tube Bender (Neon)
Duplissa, Donald F., 21 Brookmont Dr., W. ..... Insurance
Ersing, Hans E., 34 Glenn Dr., W. ..... Machinist
Fogg, Perry W., 12 Old Orchard Rd., W. ..... Salesman
Frydryk, John A., 23 Dalton St., N.W. ..... Machine Moulder
Gaudette, George R., 4 Wilbraview Dr, W. ..... Interior Decorator
Gensheimer, Henry D., 16 Meadowview Rd., W. ..... Foreman
Gernux, Thomas J., 26 Glenn Dr., W. ..... Brick Layer
Godfrey, Edward H., 787 Ridge Rd., W. ..... Supervisor
Gouvin, Albert R., 376 Springfield St., W. ..... Garage Operator
Grzybowski, Andrew F., 19 Benton St., N.W. ..... Piper
Handel, Richard W., 107 Springfield St., W. ..... Purchasing Agent
Harting, Charles W., 27 Brookside Cir., W. .. Supt.—Bldg. and Grounds
Hazeltine, Benjamin P., 278 Mountain Rd., N.W. .... Chemical Engineer
Hess, John Y., 233 Monson Rd., W. ..... Carpenter
Hunt, Arthur W., 28 Brookside Dr., W. ..... Bank Manager (Branch)
Iwasinski, Theodore, 2379 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Clerk
Jahn, George A., 1048 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Pattern Maker
LaBroad, Robert J., 1 Ruth Dr., W. ..... Analyst—Hamilton Standard
LaFreniere, Joseph L., 387 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Chemical Operator
Lajzer, John J. S., 13 Sunnyside Ter., W. ..... Die Caster
Lang, Glenford F., 1 Raymond Dr., W. .....Financial Consultant
Lindell, Carl O., 4 Brooklawn Rd., W. ..... Trucker
Little, Lawson, 477 Dipping Hole Rd., W. ..... Sales Manager
Los, Stanley J., 124 River Rd., N.W. ..... Tool Grinder
Macaulay, Frederick J., 910 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Builder
MacIntire, Wesley, 24 Delmor Ave., W. ..... Mechanic
MacLeod, George V., 9 Chapin Dr., W. ..... Bank Manager (Branch)
Magruder, Doris S., 505 Mountain Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Maiocco, George W., 4 Linwood Dr., W. ..... Manager
McCalligett, James F., 28 Brookdale Dr., W. ..... Toolmaker
Megliola, Anthony M., 14 Rochford Dr., W. ... Insurance Representative
Meregian, Andon A., 41 Brookside Dr., W. ..... Businessman
Merrick, Charles L., 651 Main St., W. ..... Farmer
Morrissette, Raymond E., Sunset Rock Road, N.W. ..... Tool Designer
Nickerson, David L., 27 Leemond St., W. ..... Optical Engineer
O'Day, Howard T., 659 Ridge Rd., W. ..... Insurance
O'Neil, George F., 348 Springfield St., W. ..... Cost Accountant
Palmer, Stanley E., 503 Main St., W. ..... Engineer
Pincince, Raymond L., 15 Longview Dr., W. ..... Accountant
Plancon, Eugene R., Chestnut Hill, N.W. ..... Salesman
Porter, Harold E., 520 Main St., W. ..... Insurance
Post, Frederick H., 3 Leemond St., W. ..... Inspector
Prokop, Beatrice D., 7 Bolles Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Riendeau, Lucien, Federal Lane, W. ..... Welder
Salls, Russell C., 237 Monson Rd., W. ..... Civil Engineer
Scott-Smith, Francis H., 3 Pearl Lane, W. ..... Pilot Plant Operator
Sleith, Samuel W., 17 Nokomis Rd., W. ..... Assistant Manager

Spagnoli, Salvatore J., 5 Wilbraview Dr., W. ..... Businessman
Stagnaro, Charles W., 14 Pease St., W. ..... Machinist
Strohman, Robert A., 655 Glendale Rd., N.W. ..... Clerk
Strosburg, William A., Cone Trail, W. ..... Printer
Swain, Richard C., 423 Mountain Rd., W. ..... Consultant
Sweetman, Lawrence J., 215 Three Rivers Rd., N.W. ..... Contractor
Swiatek, Ted M., 616 Stony Hill Road, W. ..... Tool Engineer
Swiecanski, Stanley H., 131 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Carpenter
Trant, Colin A., 76 Crane Hill Rd., N.W. ..... Salesman
Tupper, Karl F., 19 Rochford Dr., W. ..... Electrician
Van Brocklyn, Robert R., 2 Sunset Rock Rd., N.W. .... Policy Assistant
Webster, David, Jr., 4 Leemond St., W. ..... Manager
Welch, John C., Sr., 6 Wilbraview Dr., W. ..... Manager
Willoughby, Richard, 15 Bruuer Ave., W. ..... Salesman
Wirzbicki, Walter S., 19 Weston St., N.W. ..... Clerk

Wilbraham Public Library Report

Each year we write in this report of the library's being overcrowded, and this year we strike the same note once more. Again ingenuity has been strained to find space for books and displays. Our troubles have been somewhat alleviated by the freeing of some upstairs rooms, where we can store books and magazines that are not in constant circulation; but because of our growing numbers of new readers, finding space is still a problem. The upper floors cannot be used by readers without expensive alterations which we hesitate to ask the townspeople to pay for. It does not seem sensible to put money into such an outmoded building. As it is, the building will have to be painted this next year at a cost of almost one thousand dollars. It should be noted here also that because of lack of space the library cannot take full advantage of its membership in the Western Regional Library Association, such as audio-visual aids.

While the Trustees and the library staff welcomed the appearance of the bookmobile in the center of town, they did not regard it as an unmixed blessing, for a staff member has to serve with the bookmobile crew, and most of the books taken out in the center are returned to the library where our staff has to process them. The visits aroused a great deal of enthusiasm among the children, but it had little to offer to many adults, especially males, because of the hours at which it appears. Undoubtedly the most significant aspect of the arrival of the machine is that it's being parked in the town's center has resulted in scores of children walking and riding their bicycles to it in complete safety.

With all these factors in mind, it is easily seen that the town

is in need of a new library in a less hazardous location than our present one occupies. As matters stand, the town is simply not being served efficiently. Fully aware of the financial burdens of the citizens, the trustees are nevertheless of the opinion that a new library is essential. The trustees have ascertained that there are two sources of financial aid available. Because Wilbraham is a part of an area designated as "financially distressed," the Federal Government has funds available to help towards architect's fees and to pay fifty per cent or more of the actual construction costs of the building. The trustees have been examining new libraries in other sections of the Commonwealth, have been consulting architects, and have been examining possible sites, and hope soon to be able to present a definite program for a new building.

This year, as in previous years, several beneficent townspeople and groups have offered gifts to the library, and the trustees take this opportunity to thank them. Mr. William Hutchinson has presented the Encyclopedia Britannica, which has been circulated and widely used. Wilbraham Academy has given a collection of boys' stories. Continuing its program of presenting books as individual memorials, the Grange has contributed a book in memory of Evelyn Jefferson. Other gifts were donated by Mrs. David Colburn, Mrs. H. J. Murphy, Mrs. David Armstrong, and Mrs. Raymond E. Pannier.

During the Bicentennial Year, the staff has had displays in keeping with the celebration. The original library is still on exhibit as it is part of the permanent collection of the library. Because of the ability of a well-trained staff, the town is receiving very good service when we consider the lack of space in which they have to work.

Mary Gertrude Ronk, *Chairman*
James McGuire
Clifford W. Burgess

WILBRAHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS

Holdings:

Volumes in Library, January 1, 1963		15,544
Volumes purchased	1,209	
Volumes donated (Gifts)	85	
	1,294	
Less volumes discarded, lost	620	674
Volumes in Library, January 1, 1964		16,218

Registration:		
Adult	2,026	
Juvenile	1,410	
Total registration (gain of 590 over 1962)		3,436
Circulation:		
Adult (including periodicals)	23,359	
Juvenile (including periodicals)	31,964	
Total circulation (gain of 5,539 over 1962)		55,323
Special Services:		
Books borrowed on interlibrary loans		282
Books lent on interlibrary loans		24
Reserve book notices mailed to borrowers		684
Overdue notices mailed to borrowers		2,670
Fines collected in 1963		$909.30

Interim Report on the Master Plan of Wilbraham, Massachusetts

This report is a brief summary of the work done in the past eleven months on the Master Plan of Wilbraham. The research and maps showing existing conditions, which were described in our last report, have been analyzed, and many of the Town's future needs have been determined through meetings with the Planning Board and other Town Boards and groups. As a result of these meetings specific proposals have been made, studied, and in most cases revised several times to represent finally the best solutions for accomplishing long-range objectives.

NATURAL FEATURES

The major natural conditions of the land particularly along the ridge and in the Glendale section, slopes exceeding 15%, indicate areas of land that will be quite difficult to develop. Low swampy areas, and land where unstable and wet soils will probably be encountered, indicate areas where the long term use of septic tanks is very questionable. Some of these low areas are also existing stream beds that collect all of the storm water from the hills and plains, and drain this water through and out of town to the major rivers. It is most essential to preserve and improve this natural storm drainage system.

SUITABLE LAND

When the natural features, built-up and used land are plot-

ted on one map, the resulting open spaces are considered the most suitable land for development. This is not to say that none of the other land will be developed, or that present uses will not be changed. Suitable land does indicate those areas that appear to be the most developable, and the easiest and most economical to develop.

Of the open spaces of land approximately 6,200 acres of suitable land are proposed for future residential use. If developed to maximum capacity according to present zoning, somewhat more than 8,200 new families can be accommodated on the suitable land. This represents some 28,000 new people in addition to the close to 10,000 population in Wilbraham in 1963. If Wilbraham's population reaches 25,000 in 1980, more than half of the suitable land now open will have been used up.

CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT

The second basic factor in the Residential Densities Plan is a relatively new principle of subdivision design. The new densities proposed, 26,000 sq. ft. per family in R-26 zone district, etc., apply to cluster as well as non-cluster subdivision. However, on a minimum parcel of 10 acres, the character of the soil and the availability of public water determine the extent to which individual lot sizes may be reduced. They may be reduced according to a set formula described in the proposed Zoning By-Laws amendments, which permits no more families than the district density would provide (26,000 sq. ft., etc.), and which also required that the land not in streets or in building lots shall be reserved as open space.

For example, in a R-26 zone district, there must be 435,600 sq. ft. of land for each 17 families, plus the land needed for streets. Under conventional subdivision design, each lot would require 26,000 sq. ft. and frontage of 130 feet. Under cluster design, if public water is installed, and if the lots are laid out on land with very good seepage, the same 17 families could build on lots of 20,000 sq. ft. with 100 feet frontage. The land not used for building lots, 95,600 sq. ft. in this case, would be reserved as open space. Where public water could not be installed, and the lots had the same good seepage, 17 lots of 22,000 sq. ft. and 110 feet frontage would be permitted, and the open space land in this case would be 61,100 sq. ft. Cluster design encourages the best use of the better land and makes it possible to preserve some of the marginal land as open space.

PRESERVATION OF OPEN SPACES

The third factor in the Residential Densities Plan is the preservation of Wilbraham's present open character. The extent to which new development is using up the open land is obvious in several areas of the Town. In some cases, building has stopped at brooks and marginal land; in others, these natural features have been obliterated. Unless the Town is to be faced with considerable expense in the future, the flow of storm water in these streams must be assured.

Under cluster zoning, the low and wet land along brooks and streams is ofen part of the open spaces. It is the least desirable for building, but most valuable for storm run-off and flood retention. Reserving this type of land is in the interest of the individual and the Town. More importantly, they break up the continuous and repetitious pattern of streets and houses extending from one end of a built-up town to the other. The whole environment is improved, and the Town retains some of its country character even at full development.

THE PLAN FOR COMMERCIAL LAND

Over 90% of the land zoned for business is located along Route 20, and most of the business development is in "roadside" types rather than in types designed primarily to serve the townspeople. Route 20 is, except for the East Wilbraham area, at the extreme northern end of town, and not easily accessible from the major residential land areas. Heavy through traffic, and the danger of making left turns, further limit its desirability as a shopping area for the townspeople.

As previously noted, well situated local facilities serving Wilbraham's people are extremely limited in relation to the present and to the potential population. Residential growth has increased the quantity and cost of town government for services to the residents. There has been no appreciable increase in commercial growth to provide goods or services for the population growth, nor to provide a comparable increase in commercial taxes to help pay for the town services. The result is that home owners and land owners are paying an increasing proportion of the Wilbraham tax dollar. The general purpose of the Master Plan is to project the town's physical and economic needs over the long range. In the foreseeable future, Wilbraham will have a population of some 25,000. In view of the history of other towns,

it is difficult to visualize a town of this size without a center of some sort. There is the foreseeable need for a new and larger town office building, and probably also a central library. Combining public buildings and private offices and shops in the same general area would appear to serve the majority of people in the most satisfactory and efficient way. The Town Center Plan recognizes these long-range objectives, and provides an orderly means for their accomplishment.

LOCATION OF TOWN CENTER

A new center for Wilbraham should be located in relation to the residential land areas it is to serve, and to the major streets people will use to reach the center. Springfield Street is about centrally located in relation to the north and south town lines, and, with Mountain Road and Monson Road, covers most of the town area from east to west. Since traffic will come from north and south to Springfield Street, a new center should be located in relation to north-south streets.

The Springfield Street - Main Street area is close to the future population center of the Town. Except for the East Wilbraham neighborhood, the present road pattern gives good access to this area from the other residential neighborhoods. There appears to be sufficient suitable land, about 20 acres, for building construction. It is presently a center of Town, and Crane Park. The Post Office, Academy, and the Old Meeting House form a nucleus around which a new center may be planned.

TOWN CENTER PLAN

A basic requirement of a town center is good safe vehicular and pedestrian movement. About one-third of the ultimate town population will come from the west toward the Center. Burt Lane is quite inadequate, location-wise as well as structurally, to give access to the interior land. Extending Springfield Street directly across Main Street will afford direct access, and with a traffic light will afford better and safer movement in all directions. Until the Center is more fully developed, it will give access from the northerly and northeasterly neighborhoods, while Woodland Dell Road will give access from the southerly and southeasterly neighborhoods.

A new north-south road, between Springfield Street extended and Woodland Dell Road, is proposed to give a second, more

rapid, and direct access for fire equipment to the western part of the Town.

Three different types of uses are proposed in the blocks created by the new streets. On the east side of Main Street, present uses would remain, in a new Neighborhood Office Zone described in the proposed amendments to the Zoning By-Laws. This zone would also extend from Burt Lane to Woodland Dell Road, about 161 feet deep from Main Street.

A new Neighborhood Shopping zone, described in the By-Laws amendments, is proposed east of the Office zone, extending from Woodland Dell Road to Springfield Street extended, and eventually to Mountain Road. This area would permit retail shops, one story high, with landscaped areas along the streets and at buildings. The location of buildings, street entrances, and parking areas would require approval of the Planning Board. The north side of Woodland Dell Road would require an adequate landscaped buffer to be planted and maintained. Off-street parking standards are proposed to assure use of the new and existing streets only for the movement of vehicles. The proposed By-Laws are designed to create an attractive well maintained shopping area, with space for people as well as for cars, in keeping with the character of the Town. The shopping area contains about 20 acres of land.

The third part of the Town Center Plan is the proposed civic center. Occupying less than 7 acres of land in the northwesterly block, it is across the streets from the shopping areas. The Post Office is in this block, and there is land area for at least a new town office and library without disturbing property now occupied. The enlargement of Crane Park is desirable, particularly as some park land will be lost in the extension of Springfield Street. In the long range, by using all of the open land the town buildings could be built in a greatly expanded Crane Park. An existing swamp could readily be cleared to make a small lake, helping in flood control and adding considerably to the environment. If the time comes when the old meeting house, or other Main Street buildings, can be acquired by the Town, they can be readily integrated into the over-all plan, as part of the park or for other uses.

ACCOMPLISHING THE CENTER PLAN

To provide for the proper development of the interior land, there is proposed an over-all street pattern to assure safe and

convenient traffic movement. The layout of Springfield Street extended as far as the Post Office crosses town land and would seem to be a function of the Town. Construction should await, and be timed with, development of the interior land.

The precise design and construction of these streets would follow the over-all street plan in accordance with present procedures for the development of land for building construction. These streets would be constructed as the need for access to more land arises. At some point, development will reach a point where all of the streets will be required to assure proper traffic movement.

In the early planning stages, consideration should be given to the long-range improvements needed on Springfield Street, Mountain Road, and Woodland Dell Road. Pavement widening and the ultimate storm drainage needs should be determined.

Appreciable widening of the southwest corner of Main and Springfield Streets is essential in the long run. This will reduce the size of an already small commercial property. On the west side of Main Street no changes are proposed in this report, and no changes in use are included in the proposed By-Law amendments. It would appear, however, that a reasonable increase in land area on this corner for the present use would improve a congested intersection, and would make it easier to accomplish the improvement needed in the future.

The Town Center Plan, like any long-range plan, can only be accomplished slowly, step by step, and as specific needs become critical and have to be met. The Plan is flexible as to the timing of development of its several parts. Each part will contribute its share to the attractiveness, service, and utility of the whole. It offers an over-all framework as a guide for future public, as well as private decisions and actions. It should be an important part of the Master Plan.

RICHARD H. MORGAN, *Chairman*
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Personnel Study Committee Report

The Personnel Study Committee, appointed annually by the Board of Selectmen, serves as a Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee in the area of salaries, wages, fringe benefits, and conditions of employment of Town personnel, other than the School Department.

During the current year consideration was given to such matters as cost of living increase, growth, responsibility, and longevity increments.

The Committee reviewed the salary and wage ranges and recommended changes in the schedule, principally the addition of two steps in the ranges, based on personnel records of other Towns of comparable size throughout the Commonwealth, as well as surrounding Towns, and the cost of living increase since the inception of the schedule.

Recognition was also given to the growth and responsibility factor, particularly in connection with Department Heads, and recommendations were made to provide compensation commensurate with added responsibility.

Recommendations were also made to provide for recognition of longevity of employment in the matter of vacations for all employees and compensation for employees at the top of the salary and wage schedule based on meritorious service.

Details of the Personnel Program, including the Salary and Wage Schedule and the Schedule of Fringe Benefits, are on file in the Town Office. Records, consisting of statistics and other pertinent data of each position and every Town employee, are assembled and maintained. The Personnel Program is administered by the Town Accountant.

HERMAN G. GRANDCHAMP, *Chairman* DARREL S. AMES
JOHN BEMBEN, *Secretary* ALBERT E. NEALE

Pest Control Report

During the spring of 1963 all roadside elms were sprayed for the control of elm leaf beetle and European elm bark beetle. (Dutch elm disease carrier.) The insecticide used was once again methoxychlor rather than D.D.T. which had been used for many years. It will require at least one more year of comparison study to determine whether the less toxic methoxychlor is as effective as D.D.T.

During the year, 40 samples of suspected elms were collected

and submitted to the Shade Tree Laboratories at the University of Massachusetts for testing. Of these samples, 38 of them contained the Dutch elm disease fungus. These 38 samples represented a total of 60 individual trees (clumps and groups of trees are generally sampled as one unit). There was a holdover of 19 known diseased elms from 1962 sampling programs giving a total of 79 known diseased elms tagged for removal. As of December 31, 1963, 70 of these trees had been removed and destroyed. Town crews supervised by the Pest Control Officer removed 63 of these trees along with an additional 43 dead and beetle-infested elms too far gone to sample. Private tree companies were contracted to remove 7 of the larger tagged elm trees. On December 31, 1963 there remained 9 known diseased elms along with 36 suspected diseased elms which must be removed and destroyed before May 1, 1964 according to state law. (1) A good sanitation program, (2) a good sampling program, (3) the prompt removal and destruction of Dutch elm diseased trees, and (4) the dormant spraying of valued trees as a supplement to the sanitation program are the essentials of a good Dutch elm disease control policy as recommended by the Massachusetts Department of Natural Resources.

Two notable casualties of the Dutch elm disease in 1963 were the Hitchcock elm on Stony Hill Road and the large elm on Main Street opposite Rich Hall at Wilbraham Academy.

During 1963 no Gypsy moth egg clusters were found in Wilbraham. This remains an encouraging sign.

A mosquito control program was conducted in Wilbraham during 1963. Two sprays were applied by helicopter — the second spray giving particularly good results. The chemical used was BAYTEX, much less toxic to fish and wildlife than D.D.T. In 1962 the Massachusetts state legislature passed laws regulating the application of such pesticides. A pesticide board has been created under the control of the Department of Public Health. Any individual who applies pesticides must be licensed by this board and come under their control and supervision. With this legislative control and the use of less toxic insecticides we hope to continue the aerial spray program in 1964. The application of chemicals to standing water and swamp water during mosquito breeding periods was also attempted on a limited basis. All requests for poison ivy control in public areas were attended to.

Gordon R. Long

Report of
Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission

On behalf of the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission, I have the honor of submitting this annual report for the year 1963 as required by the General Laws Chapter 40B.

Since 1963 is the second year of the activation of the Planning District, and the first year in which the member communities were called upon to pay an assessment, this report should be of particular interest to all concerned. In addition to sending it to member communities, it is likewise being distributed to all those communities eligible to join in the district in the confident expectation that they will assume some share in the financial responsibilities involved. Since the work of the District must encompass all of the eligible communities in the District, failure to join the District puts a community in the position of profiting by the efforts of and at the expense of the member communities. This is somewhat counterbalanced by the lack of voice and influence the non-members have but still involves a partial "free ride" at least. This problem is being gradually overcome, and the long range goals of the District can only be achieved through substantially complete membership. The Commission is confident that, as the opportunities afford themselves, the merit in the basic worth of regional planning will become manifest and that non-members will vote to join in a responsible manner thus participating fully in all programs and contributing greatly to the success of the District.

In 1963, two additional communities voted to join the District, those of Wilbraham and Ludlow, increasing the membership to eight comprising a total population of 268,057. Population-wise this represents approximately 65% of the entire potential and is an excellent basis for initiating a program.

With this in mind, the commission set about in earnest to carry out its work. It organized with the following officers:

Edward C. Peck, Jr., West Springfield, Chairman
Doris Deliso, Springfield, Treasurer
Wilfrid Lenville, Agawam, Secretary

The Treasurer posted a surety company bond, set up a checking account and opened the books of the District.

Several consulting firms were interviewed with the purpose in

mind of submitting a program of studies to the Housing and Home Finance Agency through the State Department of Commerce with the expectation of receiving a federal grant of up to two-thirds of the total costs. The firm of Planning Services Group was chosen to make a preliminary survey of the region to include all the work necessary to submit a full-scale program to H.H.F.A. for their approval. This firm has worked with both existing regions in Massachusetts and has wide experience in both regional and community planning. They are the consulting firm in charge of the Springfield Community Renewal Program. The sum of $3,000 was appropriated for this survey and it was completed on schedule and submitted to H.H.F.A. Copies have already been furnished the member communities. It is extremely comprehensive in scope. Information would be assembled on many aspects of the region such as population, housing, transportation, public and private utilities, education, employment, recreation, zoning and many other aspects of community life. All studies will relate to the regional aspects of the fields covered.

As the first step in this program, a generalized soil survey undertaken by the District at its own expense through the United States Department of Agriculture has been completed. This embraces the entire region and cost the Region $1,800 which is approximately one-half of the cost of the study. This will lead to a more specialized and detailed study of the region in selected areas under the H.H.F.A. grant program.

At this writing, H.H.F.A. final approval had not been given. Preliminary approval by the New York office has been awarded and full approval is expected in the very near future. Since the projected budget for the program involves an 18-month program at a total cost of some $114,000 the assessments on the members for the years 1963, '64 and '65 will be necessary in whole or in part to accomplish it. Consequently, although the enclosed financial report shows a balance on hand of $17,179.81 this amount is actually committed through the H.H.F.A. application. Other action awaits H.H.F.A. approval, such as renting office space, which is available to the District at the Hampden County Improvement League Building in West Springfield, acquiring of equipment and possible staff personnel.

It is sincerely expected that regular reports will be forthcoming in 1964 under our program of real value in planning to all the

members. The year can be characterized as one of steady, if not spectacular, achievement with bright prospects for 1964.

Edward C. Peck, Jr., West Springfield	George Mongeau, Westfield
Doris Deliso, Springfield	John Linebaugh, Middlefield
Wilfrid Lenville, Agawam	Edward A. Koziol, Ludlow
Carl Stromgren, Southwick	Leo Kuehn, Wilbraham

FINANCIAL REPORT — 1963

Receipts — Assessments from members		
Springfield	$13,957.04	
West Springfield	1,993.92	
Agawam	1,257.44	
Southwick	411.12	
Westfield	2,104.48	
Middlefield	25.20	
Wilbraham	590.96	
Total		$20,340.16
Payments		
James H. Buckley & Son — bond	$80.00	
R. P. Dominic — stationery	45.00	
Planning Services Group — survey and application	3,000.00	
Third National Bank — check book, etc.	13.58	
Joint Civic Agency — Advance League of Women Voters	15.04	
Pamphlets	6.73	
Total		3,160.35
Balance on hand December 31, 1963		$17,179.81
Committed		
Soil Survey Report — U.S. Department of Agriculture		$1,800.00
Reserved for 701 Program		15,379.81
		$17,179.81

Planning Board Report

The Wilbraham Planning Board held regular monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month during the year 1963. In addition, there were twenty-one special meetings or hearings and a workshop meeting. Sixteen of the meetings were for the Master Plan. (A report on the Master Plan is included in this Town Report.) Public hearings were held for the presentation of eleven subdivisions. Of these, eight were approved. Three subdivisions have not been approved because of Board of Health requirements. Two public hearings were held concerning Multi-

ple Housing. The developer agreed that nothing further would be done with the petition for a new Zoning District within which there could be located multiple resident, apartment-type houses until after the Master Plan had been presented to the Town. Two subdivision plans were rescinded, one at the request of the developer and one by a vote of the Board until such time as the requirements of this Board and the Board of Water Commissioners are met.

A public hearing was held to consider having the United Church parish house property changed from Residence A to Neighborhood Shopping. This request was included in the articles to be voted on at the Town Meeting but was turned down.

A public hearing was held to amend the zoning by-laws regarding signs (Section 4, Paragraph 7) and permitted uses in Neighborhood Shopping Districts, (Section 5 (2). These amendments were included in the articles to be voted on at Town Meeting and were approved along with an amendment to have land of Maitland K. Shults changed from Residence A to Neighborhood Shopping District — for parking only.

A public hearing was held to consider changing the material to be used in the surfacing of roads. No action was taken.

The Town voted to become a member of the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission under the provisions of Chapter 40B of the General Laws.

As required under the law, the Board together with the Selectmen, Planning Board Engineer and the Highway Superintendent viewed seven streets three of which will be presented for consideration of acceptance at the Town Meeting.

The Board regrets the resignation of Bion T. Wheeler, Jr. during the year. William E. Leonard was appointed to fill the vacancy until next annual Town Meeting.

It should be noted that the Planning Board held more than twice as many meetings as in the previous year. This would indicate a continued growth in the work of the Board and its responsibility in order to keep abreast of the times. Your Planning Board will endeavor to do this with all its efforts. We thank the townspeople for their fine cooperation in the past and hope for the same in the future.

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Playground Commission Report

The Wilbraham Playground Commission is pleased to report completion of another successful season in 1963. The supervised playground program, which represents the major activity of the department, was enjoyed by more young people of the town than in any recent year. This activity was conducted at Memorial School, Pines School, and Spec Pond recreation area. The program covered a period of six weeks, July 8 through August 16, with a two-week period of each playground taking place at Spec Pond. Mr. Richard Spencer was playground supervisor, assisted by Mr. Joseph Van West, Mrs. Constance Kimberly, Mrs. John Lawson, Miss Margot Barnes, Miss Deborah Fay, Miss Karen Blauvelt, and Richard Covel. The Spec Pond portion of the program was conducted by Mrs. Lawson assisted by members of the guard staff at the pond.

The program consisted of organized group games, arts and handicraft instruction, reading and story telling periods, nature study groups, water safety instruction, introduction to boats and canoes, and bi-weekly contests and sporting events. The average daily attendance during the six-week period was 250 children per day. This figure represents a considerable increase over former years and can be attributed to the bus transportation service which was provided this past summer, and to the ever-growing population. Continuation of the bus transportation service is planned for 1964 season.

The groundskeeping function was performed by Mr. Spencer and Mr. Van West with pre-season assistance being done by Bruce Morgan, Peter Swallow, and Richard Covel. The playground at Grassy Hollow was improved by the conversion of the rear diamond to a "utility" diamond so that it more adequately serves the age groups using this field daily during baseball season. A complete fertilization service was carried out on Memorial and Grassy Hollow fields. Player benches were installed where needed, and the commission was able to assist the baseball program as organized by the St. Cecilia's Men's Club. At the present time the athletic fields are in good condition, but a continuing improvement program is necessary to maintain these areas.

The Playground Commission was most willing to assist the Bicentennial Committee in the planning and carrying out of the celebration. The portable bleacher sections at both Memorial

and Grassy Hollow fields underwent extensive repairs, and were used as spectator stands along the parade route. These repairs were accomplished by Mr. Thomas Farnham, and included replacement of support members, seating boards and rests, plus a complete paint job. The Grassy Hollow field was used as one of the major parking lots in the north sector of the Town. Assistance was given the sports committee wherever needed to assist in carrying out their program.

With the passage of each year, the Commission acquires additional properties, tools, spreaders, markers, boats, and water safety equipment to mention a few. Necessary provisions for the storage and care of this equipment have been taken to insure their use over many seasons. At the present time this equipment is being maintained by staff members.

The Playground Commissioners wish to extend thanks to the Water Department, the Highway Department, the Town Public Library, the Spec Pond lifeguard staff, and the Selectmen's office for assistance rendered during the past year.

TRUMAN R. SWALLOW, *Chairman*
HAROLD LOVERING, JR.
WILLIAM J. MILLER

Police Department

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1963.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief, John S. Leary. *Sergeant,* John J. Chrzanowski. *Regular Patrolmen:* Newton W. Goewey, Jr., Terrence T. Reidy. *Reserve Patrolmen:* Alton L. McDonald, Stephen E. Lopata. *Auxiliary Police:* Sgt. John J. Connor, Sgt. Wellington C. Rose, Sgt. Ralph M. Kilcourse, Sgt. Emeric J. Wyzik, Joseph Cloutier, Lawrence P. Cloutier, Edward E. Dearborn, Frederick J. Macauley, Morrison Marelli, Howard S. McIntosh, Donald A. Bump, Robert A. Converse, John Y. Hess, Richard C. Swain, Alexander Murphy, Richard L. Poulin, William H. Rademaekers, Phillip Britten, Albert R. Gouvin, Jr., Arthur W. Hunt, Jr., Stanley J. Pabis, John Ward, Walter S. Wirzbicki, Harold R. Hartman, Alfred E. Patrie. *School Traffic Officers:* Mrs. Mary Strycharz, Mrs. Marjorie Goewey, Mrs. Helen Christensen.

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR

Crimes Against the Person: Assault and Battery, 4. *Crimes Against Property:* Breaking and Entering, 8; Larceny, 10; Using a Motor Vehicle without Authority, 3. *Crimes Against the Public Order, etc.:* Disturbing

the peace, 12; Drunkenness, 19; Driving while intoxicated, 8; Operating so as to endanger, 16; Operating an unregistered and uninsured vehicle, 8; Operating without a license, 3; Speeding, 65; Passing over white line, 48; No sticker, 3; Red light violations, 9; Stop sign violations, 23; School bus violations, 4; Violation of probation, 6; Lewdness, 2; Fugitive from justice, 1; Operating a motor vehicle after suspension or revocation, 3. Total, 255.

Disposition of Cases: Fined, 176; Filed, 16; Released, 9; Turned over to other departments, 10; Probation, 15; Sentenced to House of Correction, 12; Sentenced to Youth Service Board, 1; Sentenced to State Prison, 2; Taken to Leeds Veterans' Hospital, 1; Taken to Worcester State Hospital, 2; Found not guilty, 6; Cases pending, 5. Total, 255.

Total Amounts of Fines and Sentences: Fines imposed, $3,385.00; House of Correction, 3 years; State Prison, 12 years; Probation, 19 years.

In addition to the arrests listed there were 46 juveniles apprehended. Fifteen of these cases were brought to court and 31 were handled out of court.

Persons reported missing, 10; Lost persons located and returned to their homes, 10; Summonses served for other departments, 603; Complaints received and investigated, 295; Other investigations, 187; Suspicious persons and cars investigated, 55; Street lights reported not burning, 35; Homes vacant and cared for, 420; Buildings found open and secured, 103; Defective streets and sidewalks reported, 18; Persons taken in charge and sent home, 16; Fires reported, 11; Pistol permits issued (including 1 Dealer's Permit), 34; Accident report copies requested and submitted, 90; Total value of lost and stolen property recovered, $11,550.00.

During the year, 47 persons were transported to hospitals and doctor's offices in the police cruiser. There were 11 cases where the oxygen equipment was used.

There were 140 traffic accidents, of which 85 were property damage only, 55 personal injury accidents in which there were 98 persons injured, including 1 fatality. One pedestrian was among the injured. Of the 230 cars involved, 168 were operated by out-of-town persons and 62 by town residents.

The following is a summary of the motor vehicle cases handled the past year.

Passing where view obstructed, 43; Failing to stop for a school bus, 4; No sticker, 3; Failing to stop at stop signs, 23; Speeding, 65; Passing a red light, 9; Improper operation, 16; Driving after drinking, 6; Operating without a license, 3; Altering or forging a driver's license, 2; Operating under the influence, 7; Leaving the scene of an accident, 3; Failing to keep within marked lanes, 2; Using a motor vehicle without authority (summons), 1; Following too closely, 2; Operating an unregistered and uninsured motor vehicle, 8; Spilling load on highway, 1; Refusal to stop for police officer, 1; Operating after suspension or revocation, 3; Failure to use care in turning, 1; Using a motor vehicle without authority after suspension or revocation, 2; Operating so as to endanger, 16; Cases prosecuted in District Court, 221; Cases referred to the Registry of Motor Vehicles, 47; Cases filed with warnings, 101.

Along with the statistics in this report which pinpoint activities of the Police Department during 1963, my first year as Chief, it was a period which gave me an opportunity to appreciate the general good will of the townspeople.

The year presented numerous challenges to cope with, events in which police coverage played important parts. We all remember the Bicentennial activities which attracted thousands of people and the Western Massachusetts Music Festival, which also brought large crowds.

In taking over the position of Chief, my survey of department requirements pointed out the need for an additional full-time patrolman. Following an examination, the Selectmen appointed Terrence T. Reidy. He took the training provided by the State Police Academy. During the year, eleven men connected with the regular and auxiliary police unit, on their own time, took part in a State Police training course conducted at Hardwick, Massachusetts.

As we advance into a new year and looking ahead to other years, it will be necessary to have department requirements adequately provided. The department needs another full-time patrolman in order that the town may receive coverage by a career police officer, as well as to man the additional cruiser during the most critical times of day when it will be necessary to operate each cruiser by a single regular officer, thus doubling our present coverage during the daytime and early evening hours. The addition of a clerk in the Police Department will also relieve the Chief of many clerical duties in the office so that he may concentrate more effectively on police duties and in the preparation of cases and procedures at the various court appearances that have to be made. This clerk is to be shared with another department in town and will be on a part-time basis for each department. These provisions are being asked for this year and if provided, will be a large step forward toward complete 24-hour police coverage by your own local police force, which is in the planning stages now, as well as provisions for our own 2-way radio facility.

Comparing, if you will, our present budget and recommendations for the ensuing year as only a step toward full-time police coverage, it would be well to look at surrounding communities. These communities are larger in population. However, we cannot forget that this town will undoubtedly equal, if not overtake,

them in population growth as forecast by Technical Planning Associates.

Town	Population	Full-Time Police Including Chief	1963 Budgets
Agawam	18,000	24	$175,000
Ludlow	15,000	16	118,685
Longmeadow	12,500	19	150,000
East Longmeadow	12,000	15	105,000
Palmer	10,500	11	92,000
Wilbraham	8,200 + (Estimated)	4	31,744

These figures will graphically point out a definite need for increases in personnel and eqquipment. Basic police duties do not change — only the increased volume of work.

It is my opinion, and many town officials concur, that the town must look ahead with the same realistic view with regard to its Police Department as that being given all other town departments.

In conclusion, I wish to gratefully acknowledge the cooperation I have received from the Board of Selectmen and all other departments of the Town.

JOHN S. LEARY, *Chief of Police*

Report of Power Line Committee

The Power Line Committee was reappointed by the Selectmen to assist them in their controversy with Western Massachusetts Electric Company relative to a right-of-way for the proposed two 345,000-volt power lines. The opinion was that a less damaging route could be established. The 250 foot right-of-way selected by Western Massachusetts Electric Company bisects the town's plains area between Main Street and Stony Hill Road.

A chronological summary of the Committee's activities and related developments is shown below:

JULY 1962 — On the petition of Western Massachusetts Electric Company, the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities conducted a public hearing to establish Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed power line. Special legal counsel was retained to represent the town at this hearing.

OCTOBER 1962 — The Committee met with the selectmen from Wilbraham, Hampden and Ludlow to consider further action on the proposed power line. On advice of special counsel, it was agreed not to appeal a D.P.U. ruling granting Public Convenience and Necessity if this should be granted.

There were two principal reasons for counsel's advice:

1. Any two of the three towns, by refusing the right to cross public ways, could effectively block the line.
2. The selectmen of Hampden and Ludlow agreed at this meeting to refuse this right, and to present a united front with Wilbraham until a route satisfactory to all three towns was obtained.

January 1963 — The Department of Public Utilities, as anticipated, granted Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed line.

April 1963 — Ludlow selectmen voted to grant the Western Massachusetts Electric Company the right to cross public ways in Ludlow.

June 1963 — Hampden selectmen voted to grant the Western Massachusetts Electric Company the right to cross public ways in Hampden. This action was taken in spite of the fact that Hampden townspeople, at a public hearing, had unanimously voted to refuse this right.

By the above action of Hampden and Ludlow selectmen, Wilbraham's most effective legal tool in assuring worthwhile bargaining with Western Massachusetts Electric Company was destroyed.

September 1963 — Western Massachusetts Electric Company petitioned the selectmen of Wilbraham for a public hearing to grant permission to cross the public ways of Wilbraham.

September 1963 — Western Massachusetts Electric Company petitioned the Department of Public Utilities at a public hearing conducted by that Department for the right to take land by eminent domain.

October 1963 — Wilbraham selectmen notified Western Massachusetts Electric Company and the Department of Public Utilities of their decision to refuse the right to cross public ways in the Town of Wilbraham.

The relocation of the proposed power line in an area least damaging to the Town of Wilbraham, could best have been achieved with the cooperation of Hampden and Ludlow. That this cooperation was at first promised and later withdrawn was a great disappointment to Wilbraham officials.

An article has been included in the town meeting warrant for

an expression of opinion by all voters on continuing the opposition to the proposed right-of-way. Favorable action by the town meeting will enable the selectmen and committee to renew their efforts to find the most satisfactory solution to this problem.

The possibility of legal action remains open, in the event of unfavorable rulings by the Department of Public Utilities. If legal action appears advisable, the Town Meeting will be requested to approve additional funds for legal counsel.

Edward Godfrey, *Chairman*
Clifford Burgess
Richard Danforth
Andrew Duzsik
Clayton Fuller
Thomas Gallagher
Marshall Roper
James Russell
James Saxe
William Schickler

Report of Radio Committee

The Radio Committee has been rather inactive for the past year and has recommended to the various departments who have radio frequencies to write and obtain an additional frequency for future use in anticipation of our needs many years from now.

This committee was originally appointed to study and make recommendations concerning the best possible use of our various radio network facilities in order to obtain the most efficient and economical service for the welfare of the town.

The Selectmen are recommending a study committee to determine the advisibility of having a Department of Public Works as well as a Department of Public Safety, and it is this committee's recommendation that no further activity relative to radio communications be anticipated until such time as a study committee makes its recommendations to the townspeople. We feel we are arriving at the crossroads where considerable overlapping in this one phase of communications will be expensive to the town if some consolidation is not made in the near future. Therefore, any activity on behalf of this committee should now await the report of a study committee.

Roger T. Hintze, *Chairman*
Herbert Butler
Ralph Tupper
John S. Leary
G. Frederic Boyce

Slaughtering Inspector's Report

There were no animals reported being slaughtered here this year. Most animals are shipped elsewhere to be slaughtered.

Robert A. Converse

Sealer of Weights and Measures

During 1963 the following devices were tested and sealed — Scales: 5 ton and up, 5; 2½ to 5 ton capacity, 2; 100 to 5,000 lb. capacity, 8; under 100 lb. capacity, 52. Weights: Avoirdupois, 18; Metric, 31; Apothecary, 17. Meters: Gasoline pumps, 43; grease, 13; truck fuel oil, 9. Devices adjusted before sealing, 18. Fees collected, $163.10.

One new filling station was opened on Boston Road, and two others on Boston Road discontinued business and closed up. While it is possible the new businesses said to be coming into the old paper mill may use measuring devices commercially, there appears to be little hope that the income of this department will increase substantially until the legislature decides to require the sealing of beer glasses and jiggers.

C. L. Merrick

Spec Pond Report

The Spec Pond recreation area completed its fifth year of operations in 1963. The year was one of the most successful years that has been held. Each year for the last 5 years the demand for the facilities has increased.

Attendance during the year was well over the 40,000 mark. During a hot day in July the attendance reached a high mark of over 2,000 in a single day. The crowds on these particular days taxed the facilities to a point of overcrowding, and plans are for rapid expansion of the beach area to the east side of the beach.

Spec Pond operated for 13 weeks on a 10-hour day basis. Our life guard staff was of the highest caliber and are deserving of credit for the excellent way they have given protection and supervision to the children of the community.

This year the town-sponsored playground recreational program used the facilities of the Pond for 4 weeks. We found this was an excellent adjunct to their program, and we hope to cooperate with them in the future.

Approximately 300 children took advantage of the swimming instructions. The classes ranged from beginning to advanced swimming. A swimming team was organized once again and competed with other groups in Springfield and Hampden in which they were very successful.

Many plans for future expansion and major improvements are in the process of being made. Money over and above operating

expenses is put into a capital improvement fund for these purposes.

Our fourth annual Water Carnival was held and once again competitive races for the children of the community were held. This was by far our largest and most successful carnival.

The area is under the supervision of the Wilbraham Lions Club resulting in no expense to the town.

William Sullivan, Jr., *Chairman*
Robert A. Edwards
Jesse M. Canerdy
Frank G. Shannis
Truman R. Swallow
Frederick J. Cummings

LIONS CLUB OF WILBRAHAM

Financial Standing as of December 31, 1963

SPEC POND ACCOUNT

	Receipts	*Expense*
Cash balance as of Dec. 31, 1962	$1,318.08	
Interest Ludlow Savings Bank	66.74	
Amount Subscribed (695 Families)	5,641.50	
Leemond Street Group	3.75	
Democratic Town Committee	25.00	
Wishing Well — James Alberici	15.45	
Policemen's Ball	75.00	
Christadelphians	15.00	
Firemen's Ball	100.00	
Lions Club, Inc.	76.60	
Vandal Account — Rec'd	89.40	
Miscellaneous Income	197.74	
Pay Roll — Employee		$3,336.82
Insurance Lia.		270.20
Flood Lights		120.00
Plumbing		81.05
Contract Labor		699.50
Postage and Printing		189.80
Telephone and Electric Lights		57.56
Internal Revenue — F.I.C.A.		120.96
Vandal Repairs		89.40
Contingencies		443.65
Cash Balance (held for Improvements) in Bank		2,215.32
	$7,624.26	$7,624.26

F. J. Cummings, *Treasurer*

Tree Warden

The year 1963 saw a severe storm of February 19 and 20 consume a large percentage of the 1963 budget. This heavy wet snow resulted in clean up and repair work in over 70 locations along our roads. Another wind storm in June and a third severe storm on September 13, 1963 managed to put the finish to the tree maintenance program planned for 1963.

During the year, 28 dead, diseased and dangerous trees were removed by our tree crews. The pruning of many dangerous limbs along our town roads was also accomplished. Two trees were removed by private tree companies.

The replacement of street trees along our tree belts was continued in 1963. A total of 64 trees were set out along our highways. The severe drought conditions of the past two years have certainly adversely affected these young trees as well as all of the trees along our tree belts. We hope that townspeople will water these trees in dry times.

During the past year the services of the shade tree committee were again utilized along Stony Hill Road from Springfield Street to Boston Road. The resultant tree removal and trimming done for eventual conversion of the electric distribution line to a higher voltage was accomplished without incident. Dangerous and unsightly trees were removed and clearance was given to utility construction while maintaining the character and preserving the beauty of the area.

There was no regular or maintenance trimming of the utility system during 1963.

Our aims for the future consist of extending the tree planting program. Mindful of the overhead wire problem, we intend to set the new plantings back from the wire systems whenever possible. When planting has to be done under the wires, the lower growing flowering-type trees should be utilized. The Wilbraham Garden Club has donated 40 young trees of varying species which have been set out in a nursery to develop into a convenient transplanting size. We express our appreciation to the Garden Club for this wonderful gift.

In 1964, the continuing care and maintenance of our existing shade trees and further stump removal along with an expansion of our planting program will be our goal.

Gordon R. Long

Veterans' Service Department Report

The following report is submitted for the year ended December 31, 1963.

Classification of cases handled by this office is as follows:

	1963	%	1962	%
Applications for Veterans' Benefits	12		14	
Veterans' Benefits Paid				
Ordinary benefits only	4		6	
Hospitalization and/or medical only	0		0	
Ordinary benefits, hospitalization and medical	6		3	
Miscellaneous — information, Inc.	33		28	
Total expenditures for ordinary benefits	$4,362.30	95.8	$2,636.35	90.7
Total expenditures for hospitalization and/or medical	191.40	4.2	271.76	9.3
Total expenditure for Veterans' Benefits	$4,553.70	100.0	$2,908.11	100.0
Administrative expenses	67.03		22.00	
Total expenditure	$4,620.73		$2,930.11	
Less: Recoveries of Veterans' Benefits	680.48		1,200.00	
Net Expenditure	$3,940.25		$1,730.11	

During 1963 ten (10) cases were aided. As noted above 95.8% of the total Veterans' Benefits paid ($4,553.70) was to meet necessary living expenses and only 4.2% was required to meet medical expenses. Of the total expenditure for 1963 ($4,553.70) 10.1% was recovered. The remainder of the recoveries in 1963 was applicable to payments in prior years.

At December 31, 1963 there are seven (7) permanent cases being aided. All other cases aided during 1963 or that are active at December 31, 1963 are of a temporary nature. All cases aided were Wilbraham settled (5 years or more residence in Wilbraham). In view of this a net reimbursement of 50% of the total expenditure for 1963 can be expected from the State.

All veterans residing in Town are invited to avail themselves of the services of this office. Office hours are from 7 to 9 p.m. each Monday evening at the Town Hall.

GEORGE A. DUSENBERRY, *Agent*

Water Commissioners' Report

In 1963, there were 97 new services and 8 renewals installed compared with 72 new services and 2 renewals the previous year. Although in the past two years the number of water services has increased a total of 11%, water usage for the system this year was down 7%, and receipts dropped 5% from 1962. A total of 2900 feet of new water mains were installed by developers, compared with 1500 feet the previous year. Income exceeded expenditures by more than $25,000, and the entire surplus was transferred to the General Fund of the Town since at present no procedure exists for accumulating reserve funds to provide for obsolescence, depreciation, or future expansion.

During the year 500 feet of obsolete 2 inch water main on Vista Road was replaced, the first phase of a five year program to up-grade approximately 2500 feet of out-dated, inefficient pipeline in the existing system.

In 1963, the first water main extension was made under the provisions of Chapter 40, Sections 42G, H and I of the General Laws, previously accepted by vote of the Town in 1958. The south Main Street water main was extended some 150 feet according to the stipulations of this so-called Betterments Act.

To provide greater protection to the Town, Rules and Regulations governing the laying of water mains in new developments were reviewed and strengthened. Beginning in 1964, all new water main installations are to be made under supervision of an engineer designated by the Water Commissioners, at the expense of the developer.

The Board of Water Commissioners is contemplating a change in meter reading procedure as a further economy measure. Under the proposed procedure, residential meters would be read at the end of alternate quarterly use periods, rather than each quarter. For the periods when the meter would not be read, billing would be based on estimated usage and adjusted at the end of the following period. This system has been adopted by many other water departments and would appreciably reduce costs associated with meter reading.

Willard P. Willis, Jr., *Chairman*
William R. Hannah
David I. McIntosh

Public Welfare Department Report

I herewith submit the annual report of the Department of Public Welfare for the year ended December 31, 1963.

Following is the case count for the five categories of assistance:

WILBRAHAM

	Cases Jan. 1, 1963	Applied 1963	Cases Closed 1963	Active Dec. 31, 1963
Old Age Assistance	30	5	10	25
Medical Assistance for the Aged	17	14	13	18
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	7	6	6	7
Disability Assistance	3	5	3	5
General Relief	6	7	10	3
Total	63	37	42	58

	Expended 1962	Expended 1963	Local Share 1963
Old Age Assistance	$28,736.70	$28,684.66	$3,248.00
Medical Assistance for the Aged	24,613.52	33,242.06	5,767.44
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	10,836.71	17,766.41	3,275.28
Disability Assistance	2,810.09	3,994.90	998.73
General Relief	5,631.37	4,451.54	

The major portion of the increased cost in the Medical Assistance Program was due to the rise in the number of persons admitted to Hospitals and Nursing Homes. Nursing Home costs averaged $2,100.00 per month with 60% of the recipients having no income to defray the monthly expenses.

The Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program was increased because of added cases having large families. The average eligible recipients who received assistance each month were five (5) adults and twenty-nine (29) children.

EAST LONGMEADOW-WILBRAHAM WELFARE DISTRICT

Following is the report for the Welfare District:

Balance January 1, 1963		$3,435.89
Receipts during 1963:		
Federal and State Reimbursement	$14,381.39	
East Longmeadow	2,600.00	
Wilbraham	2,400.00	
Total receipts		19,381.39

Total Funds Available	$22,817.28
Administrative Expenses	17,550.13
Balance January 1, 1964	$5,267.15

The total amount of $5,000.00, to be shared by the two Towns, was based on a percentage of active cases in each Town.

East Longmeadow	52% or $2,600.00
Wilbraham	48% or 2,400.00

We wish to extend our appreciation to Mr. Roger T. Hintze of Wilbraham and Mr. Frederick Logan of East Longmeadow for their able assistance and cooperation as members of the Prudential Committee which supervises the Administration of the Welfare District.

(Mrs.) Helen M. Sweeney, *Director*

Report of Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 16, 1963

In accordance with the warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Minnechaug High School Auditorium, Wilbraham.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Ernest W. Furnans, Jr., at 10 a.m. It was noted that there were more than 20 persons present; therefore a quorum. The following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator: George Canney, Chief Teller; William Miller, Dudley Hartt, Marjorie Payne, Francis Scott-Smith, Francis Bennett, Peter Ellis and Connie Cioch.

Article 1. To choose one Poundkeeper; two Measurers of Wood and Charcoal; two Surveyors of Lumber; three Field Drivers; two Weighers of Grain — all for the term of one year.

Town officers elected by unanimous vote were as follows: Poundkeeper, Robert A. Converse; Measurers of Wood and Charcoal, Walter H. Clark, Edward P. Lindsay; Surveyors of Lumber, Walter H. Clark, Jesse L. Rice; Field Drivers, Benjamin F. Griffin, Peter Presz, Leonard F. VonFlatern, Sr.; Weighers of Grain, Weldon G. Jameson, Jesse L. Rice.

Article 2. To hear and act on reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer and other officers or committees.

Voted unanimously that the Town accept the reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer and other officers or committees, as printed in the Town Report.

Article 3. To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1963 and ending March 31, 1964.

Voted unanimously to fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1963 and ending March 31, 1964 as follows: Town Clerk, $2,600.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,340.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meeting, $15.00 Special Town Meetings; Town Collector, $4,264.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden, $1.75 per hour (includes use of car); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00 per year, Chairman, $650.00; Assessors, $1.50 per hour (includes use of car when needed); Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; Auditor, $200.00 per year; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

Article 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Tax of 1962.

Voted unanimously that the Town's share of the Dog Tax for 1962, $1,107.74, be added to the Library Appropriation under Article 5.

Article 5. To hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee together with the appropriations recommended by them and to raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for defraying the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and appropriate the same and vote how the same shall be raised.

Voted unanimously that the Town accept the report of the Finance Committee and raise and appropriate the sum of

$1,546,681.72 to cover the necessary operating expenses of the Town for the ensuing year per itemized list of appropriations on Page 114 to Page 119 inclusive of the Annual Report of 1962: General Government — Selectmen, $10,232.00; Accounting Department, $8,549.00; Town Treasurer, $5,704.00; Land Court Fees, $50.00; Town Collector, $8,765.00; Board of Assessors, $11,746.00; Town Clerk, $3,882.00; Legal, $3,550.00; Elections and Town Meeting Expense, $1,156.00; Registrars of Voters, $1,450.00; Planning Board, $1,360.00; Town Office and Building Maintenance, $6,590.00; Town Auditor, $200.00. Protection of Persons and Property — Police Department, $31,744.00; Fire Department, $29,885.00; Pest Control, $1,200.00; Dead Wood, $3,500.00; Forest Warden, $900.00; Aid to Agriculture, $150.00; Tree Warden, $3,500.00; Civil Defense, $2,302.00; Dog Officer, $150.00; Building Inspector, $2,675.00; Wiring Inspector, $1,340.00; Sealer of Weights and Measures, $325.00; Board of Appeals, $670.00. Health and Sanitation — Board of Health, $8,300.00; Dental Clinic, $300.00; Mosquito Control, $2,600.00; Inspector of Animals, $65.00; Inspector of Slaughtering, $50.00. Highways — Highway Department, $53,537.00; Road Machinery Operating Account, $7,500.00; Street Lights, $9,000.00. Charities — Department of Public Welfare, Aid: General Relief, $7,000.00; Old Age Assistance, $25,000.00; Aid to Dependent Children, $7,000.00; Disability Assistance, $2,000.00. Soldiers' Benefits — Veterans' Service Department, including Aid, $4,970.00. Schools — Local, $661,080.00; Hampden-Wilbraham Regional, $1,058,590.96. Library — $22,818.26. Recreation and Celebrations — Parks, $600.00; Playgrounds, $5,380.00; Community Program, $6,000.00; Memorial and Independence Day, $250.00; Pensions — Assessment, Hampden County Retirement System, $11,418.00. Unclassified — Printing Town Reports, $3,100.00; Insurance and Bonding, $8,700.00; Industrial Development, $100.00. Public Service Enterprise — Water Department, Maintenance, $29,015.00. Cemeteries — $1,900.00. Maturing Debt and Interest — Maturing Debt, School Bonds, $95,000.00; Water Bonds, $15,000.00. Maturing Interest, School Bonds, $16,737.50;

Water Bonds, $1,425.00; Temporary Loan Interest, $1,800.00.

NOTE: The meeting adjourned for noon recess at 12:25; called to order for afternoon session at 1:30 p.m.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,125.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway work, and that in addition the sum of $17,875.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and that in addition the sum of $5,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction, and that in addition the sum of $19,500.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,500.00 or any other sum, to pay the garbage collector, with receipts from garbage collection subscribers to be restored as

received by the Town Collector to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,320.00 to cover the third annual installment to the professional firm of appraisers under contract approved at the last Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 or any other sum, to be expended under the joint supervision of the Planning Board and the Board of Assessors for the preparation of maps and plans for the use of said Planning Board and Board of Assessors, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way that portion of Pease Street not previously accepted as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, and that the sum of $1,128 or any other sum, be raised and appropriated for construction of said Pease Street, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto. (440 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Lee Lane, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (650 feet more or less)

Voted by a majority.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	135
Opposed	51

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Scenic Drive, as laid out by

the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (1,550 feet more or less)

Voted by a majority.

(2/3 vote required)

In favor	196
Opposed	65

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the portion of Decorie Drive not already accepted, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (1,140 feet more or less)

Voted by a majority.

(2/3 vote required)

In favor	219
Opposed	73

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Cedar Oak Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (980 feet more or less)

Voted by a majority.

(2/3 vote required)

In favor	186
Opposed	30

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Circle Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (1,750 feet more or less)

Voted by a majority.

(2/3 vote required)

In favor	247
Opposed	6

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Mark Twain Drive, as laid

out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (350 feet more or less)

Voted not to accept.

(⅔ vote required — 221)

In favor	194
Opposed	138

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Poe Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (200 feet more or less)

Voted not to accept.

(⅔ vote required — 231)

In favor	192
Opposed	155

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Longfellow Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (150 feet more or less)

Voted not to accept.

(⅔ vote required — 223)

In favor	180
Opposed	154

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Hawthorne Road, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 26, 1963, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (350 feet more or less)

Voted by a majority.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	318
Opposed	18

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $725.00 or any other sum, to purchase a snow plow for the use of the High-

way Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $3,500.00 or any other sum, to purchase a power broom for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate $9,724.00 or any other sum, to construct a sidewalk on the east side of South Main Street from Woodland Dell Road to the entrance to the high school, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	399
Opposed	3

(This vote was on a motion amending the original article.)
. . . entrance to the high school and to authorize the selectmen to accept deeds or to take by eminent domain, if necessary, an easement for said sidewalk to prevent damage to trees.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,600.00 or any other sum, to resurface South Main Street from Woodland Dell Road to Tinkham Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,300.00 or any other sum, toward the cost of underwriting the publication of a history of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to become a member of the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission under the provisions of Chapter 40B of the General Laws and raise and appropriate $600.00 or any other sum, to cover the cost of membership, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to establish a "By-

Laws Study Committee" (consisting of 5 members with a Secretary to be appointed by the Selectmen, such committee to include one Selectman, one Planning Board Member, and one Appeals Board Member) to study revision and up-dating of the By-Laws and Ordinances for the Town of Wilbraham and further to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for the necessary expenses of the "By-Laws Study Committee," or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide the sum of $602,000.00 or any other sum, for the purpose of constructing, equipping, and furnishing a 12-room elementary school with cafeteria and auxiliary facilities on land numbered 625 Main Street and owned by the town, and that to meet said appropriation the sum of $183,000.00 or any other sum, be transferred from the Stabilization Fund; $10,523.51 or any other sum, be transferred from the Memorial School Building account; the sum of $96,476.49 or any other sum, be raised from taxation or transferred from available funds in the treasury, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of $312,000.00 or any other sum, under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from the date of issue of the first bond or note, or take any other action relative thereto.

(This vote was on a motion amending the original article.)

Voted by a majority that the Town appropriate the sum of $525,004 for the purpose of constructing, equipping, and furnishing a 12-room elementary school with cafeteria and auxiliary facilities on land numbered 625 Main Street and owned by the Town, and that to meet said appropriation the sum of $183,000.00 be transferred from the Stabilization Fund; the sum of $10,523.51 be transferred from the Memorial School Building account; the sum of $61,480.49 be raised from taxation; and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow a sum not to exceed $270,000.00 under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended and to issue bonds or

notes of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than 5 years from the date of issue of the first bond or note.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	334
Opposed	5

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Building Committee, appointed by the Selectmen September 12, 1962 to be empowered, on behalf of the Town, to proceed with the construction of the new elementary school, and to enter into any and all contracts or agreements necessary to construct, equip and furnish such school building, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

NOTE: Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. to Monday, March 18, 1963 at 7:30 p.m. at Minnechaug High School.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 18, 1963. It was noted that a quorum was present.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000.00 and transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $45,000.00 for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 or any other sum, for a Reserve Fund; $10,000.00 to be transferred from available funds in the treasury and $10,000.00 to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $8,280.00 or any other sum, to be spent by the Water Department for additional household and business installations for water service, the cost of which is to be collected by the Town

from the individuals or concerns requesting installations, and which is returned to surplus funds, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,350.00 or any other sum, to be used by the Bicentennial Celebration Committee in carrying out a program for the Bicentennial Celebration in 1963, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.
(2/3 vote required)

In favor	241
Opposed	6

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a new Town Seal and hear a report relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

In favor	270
Opposed	91

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain a parcel of land for cemetery purposes lying on the Northerly side of Monson Road, in Wilbraham, bounded and described as follows:

Southerly by Monson Road 160'; Easterly by the presently existing Glendale Cemetery; Northerly by the Northerly line of said Glendale Cemetery extended Westerly 160'; and Westerly by land of one Samble,

and for the purposes of confirming title and location thereof, to authorize the Selectmen in their discretion to take by eminent domain the presently existing Glendale Cemetery, and to appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 or any other sum, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.
(2/3 vote required)

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,860.00 or any other sum, to extend the 6-inch water main on South Main Street a distance of 135 feet more or less with a 12-inch main which will ultimately become

a part of a main extension to serve the south end of town, and will be made under the provisions of Article 27 approved at the Annual Town Meeting on March 14, 1959 providing for betterment assessments on such extensions, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, Sections 42G, 42H, and 42I, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,859.00, which figure was amended in the motion.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 41, Section 55 of the General Laws which authorizes the Selectmen to appoint a Town Accountant, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws, Article 2, Section 6 by striking out sub-section "G" which calls for the election of "one Auditor for one year," such change to become effective immediately, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws, Article 2, Section 6 by striking out sub-section "J" which calls for the election of "one Tree Warden for one year," such change to become effective immediately, and to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Tree Warden annually, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority not to place the following question in the Warrant and on the ballot at the next Annual Town Meeting: Shall the Town vote to have its selectmen appoint a Tree Warden?

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws from "Residence A" to "Neighborhood Shopping District" land on the Easterly side of Main Street, Wilbraham, owned by the First Congregational Church of Wilbraham and known as the Parish House as further described in a document entitled "First Congregational Church of Wilbraham, Parish House." Land description filed with the Town Clerk.

Voted not to amend the Zoning By-Laws, etc.

(⅔ vote required — 378)

In favor	347
Opposed	220

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws from "Residence A" to "Neighborhood Shopping District" land located on the Westerly side of Main Street in said Wilbraham and being numbered 455 to 457 Main Street with a frontage on Main Street of 156.75 feet as more particularly bounded and described in a deed from Everett W. Graham, et al to Maitland K. Shults, et al dated May 21, 1958 and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 2608, Page 329.

Now supposedly owned by said Maitland K. Shults, et al.

This article was amended to the following:

". . . and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 2608, Page 329, for parking only.

Now supposedly owned by said Maitland K. Shults et al."

Voted by a majority.

(⅔ vote required — 190)

In favor	236
Opposed	49

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws Section 5 by deleting paragraph (a) item (2) and substituting the following:

(2) A building, structure or establishment, the major object of which shall be to store and display goods for sale at retail on the premises or to furnish a service or services intended primarily for the residents of the vicinity and shall be limited to the following: retail stores, barber and beauty shops, restaurant, luncheonette, tearoom, general business offices, professional offices, bank and post office.

This article was amended in the following respect:

". . . professional offices, bank, post office and a filling station, and parking facilities for buildings located on the same parcel of land or for other buildings located within the same Neighborhood Shopping District."

Voted by a majority.

(2/3 vote required)

In favor	263
Opposed	26

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by striking out Paragraph 7 of Section 4 and adding a new Paragraph 7 as follows:

7. SIGNS

A. Bulletin boards or signs necessary to uses specified in paragraphs 3 and 5 of this section or customarily used therewith.

B. Real estate sign of not over 6 square feet in area advertising the sale of real estate in a subdivision or real estate development under written annual permit from the building inspector.

C. A permanent sign of not over 18 inches by 24 inches in size, approved by the building inspector, identifying only by name an existing subdivision or real estate development or area and intended to replace the sign of subparagraph B above after all lots in the subdivision have been sold.

D. General Provisions:

1. Signs under subparagraphs B and C above are to be located within the subdivision or if located outside the original subdivision they must be within 25 feet of the side lines of the nearest outlet street from said subdivision at its intersection with any main thoroughfare or way.

2. If a subdivision has nearby outlets to more than one main thoroughfare or more than one outlet from streets within the subdivision into a main thoroughfare, more than one sign may be permitted or approved by the building inspector under subparagraphs B and C above.

3. No permit or approval shall be granted for a sign or signs under subparagraphs B and C above to be located on premises not owned by the applicant for permit or approval unless written permission from the owner of record of the premises is furnished to the building

inspector or adequate proof of other legal right to such use of the premises.

4. Signs under subparagraphs A, B, and C above shall be hung a minimum of 8 feet from the ground level to the bottom of the sign if said sign is located within 25 feet of the side line of any public or private way.

This article was amended in the following respect:

5. Any illumination for signs provided for in A, B, and C shall be shaded and located on the top thereof and shall be white only, and shall be steady and not moving or intermittent while in use.

Voted by a majority.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	74
Opposed	10

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by striking out Paragraph 8 of Section 4 and adding a new Paragraph 8 as follows:

8. A. The office or studio of a physician or surgeon, dentist, artist, musician, lawyer, architect, teacher, insurance broker, real estate broker, or other similar professional person residing on the premises.

B. A sign on the premises of 8A above no larger than 18 inches by 24 inches in size stating only the name and/or profession of the resident.

Any illumination provided for said sign shall be shaded and located on the top thereof and shall be white only and shall be steady and not moving or intermittent while in use.

Voted not to amend.

(⅔ vote required — 64)

In favor	62
Opposed	34

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to accept a deed of a lot of land on the Northerly side of Brookmont Drive, Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts, known and designated as "Public Utility" on a plan of lots recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 51, Pages 80 and 81.

Said lot of land containing the Brookmont Heights Pumping Station approved and accepted by the Board of Water Commissioners on December 8, 1957.

Voted by a majority.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to rescind its action under Article 2 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of June 10, 1954 regarding compromise of a dispute over title to "The Green" at Tinkham Road and Main Street, Wilbraham.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take in fee by eminent domain for park and recreation purposes and/or for the purpose of possible future public buildings and to confirm and clear the present title of the Town in and to a certain parcel of land at the Northeasterly corner of Main Street and Tinkham Road in Wilbraham, being Parcel 1 as described in and subject to restrictions and reservations as set forth in a document entitled "The Green" Tinkham Road, Wilbraham, Massachusetts, dated February 9, 1963 and filed with the Town Clerk.

No appropriation needed.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to convey Parcel 2 as described in the above-mentioned document entitled "The Green" to the present record Owners in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds of the land lying Northerly of the Old Road, as shown on said plan, adjoining said Parcel 2, without payment therefor.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue as a town way in its entirety the road along the Northerly line of Parcel 1 and 2 as described in the above-mentioned document entitled "The Green."

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 51. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, in their discretion, to discontinue action of the Town to register its title to "The Green" so-called as set forth in petition filed in the Land Court as Case No. 18738, or as to any portion thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to adopt an ordinance as follows, or take any other action relative thereto:

TRANSIENT VENDORS, HAWKERS AND PEDLERS

No transient vendor, hawker or pedler as defined in Chapter 101 of the General Laws shall sell or barter, or carry for sale or barter, or expose therefor any goods, wares, or merchandise in the Town of Wilbraham on any day or days of Special Town Celebration so proclaimed by the Board of Selectmen unless a permit has been issued by said Board or its delegate therefor when deemed to be for the good of said Celebration; and under such terms and conditions and for such a fee as said Board or its delegate shall determine.

Violations of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not exceeding $20 for each violation thereof.

Such ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Voted unanimously.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town 14 days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure, provided the Selectmen, or whomsoever they authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 54. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1963, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Voted unanimously.

Article 56. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the polls, personal properties and real estate of the Town.

At this point Roger T. Hintze paid tribute to Mr. Richard L. Danforth who was serving at his last town meeting as Selectman of Wilbraham, for his long and dedicated service to the Town, as a member of the finance Committee for many years, as a member of various committees, and as Selectman for the past six years.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 1:15 a.m., March 19, 1963 until 8:30 a.m., Saturday, March 23, 1963 at Memorial School when the Annual Town Elections will be held.

Attest: Doris G. Cochran, *Town Clerk*

Report of Special Town Meeting

JUNE 18, 1963

In accordance with the Warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional High School Auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Ernest W. Furnans, Jr. at 8 p.m. with more than 20 voters present which constituted a quorum.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee to transfer $25,000.00 or any other sum, from the District Surplus Revenue Account to the District Construction Budget for working plans and specifications and any surplus that may be left therefrom to be used in the construction of the addition to Minnechaug Regional High School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

At this point the following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator: George Canney, William J. Miller, Francis H. Scott-Smith and Mary Strycharz.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey in the name of and on behalf of the Town

to Frank P. Nowak and Anna C. Nowak a certain parcel of land for the sum of $500 or any other sum, land situated Southerly of River Road and Westerly of Bridge Street as further bounded and described in "Exhibit A" dated June 4, 1963 and filed with the Town Clerk, or take any other other action relative thereto. Said land is a small part of the Pines Elementary School land and is no longer needed for school purposes.

Voted unanimously.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to Elsie M. Samble without any payment therefor, all of its right, title and interest, if any, in land on the Westerly side of Glendale Road lying Northerly of the Northerly line of the Glendale Cemetery as shown on a plan thereof dated February, 1963, revised April, 1963 by C. E. Anderson Associates, numbered 1463-01 and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, or take any other action relative thereto.

Said conveyance being a part of a compromise settlement regarding the boundaries of said cemetery.

Voted unanimously.

Article 4. To see whether the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, Section 8C, authorizing the Board of Selectmen to appoint a conservation commission; and the provisions of said Chapter 40, Section 5, clause (51), providing for the operation and maintenance of said conservation commission; and the Board of Selectmen are hereby directed, within thirty days of the acceptance of this article, by vote of the town meeting, to appoint a conservation commission composed of seven members, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of $40.37 representing a previous year's bill, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 6. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the polls, personal properties and real estate of the Town.

At this point Mr. Hintze, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, paid tribute to the Bicentennial Celebration Committee as follows: "We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the efforts of all members of the Bicentennial Committee, and the ones who headed it up, 'Bob' Edwards and Frank Shannis, in presenting us with the marvelous and glorious occasions of the past week."

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Attest: DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

Governmental Districts and Representatives for the Town of Wilbraham

Second Congressional District
Seventh Councillor District
Worcester and Hampden Senatorial District
First Hampden Representative District

United States Senators
Leverett Saltonstall, Dover
Edward M. Kennedy, Boston

Representative in General Court
Raymond H. Beach, Wilbraham
George T. Smith, E. Longmeadow

Democratic Town Committee
Dr. Thomas J. Ashe, Jr.
Anthony S. Barcome
Mary Celentano
John J. Chmura
Constantine Cioch
Mary Bernice Connelly
Joseph D. Connelly
Eileen D. Connor
William E. Curran
Francis W. Deane
Robert J. Driscoll
Peter G. Ellis
Edward O. Felsentreger
Walter J. Freely
Edward S. Kapinos
Charles F. Kook

State Senator
Paul H. Benoit, Southbridge

County Commissioners
William F. Stapleton, Holyoke
Thomas F. Sullivan, Springfield
Ralph P. Walsh, Longmeadow

Peter M. Luongo
Francis J. Maloney
Helen A. Maloney
Thomas J. McCaffery
Richard Meehan
Thomas J. Montagne
Joseph M. O'Neil
Stanley J. Peczka
John Presz
Alphonse S. Sambor
Francis H. Scott-Smith, *Chair.*
Irene B. Scott-Smith
Louis M. Smola
Richard J. Stone
Sherwood S. Stone
Vincent T. Sullivan
William S. Whyte

Republican Town Committee

Richard H. Allen
Stanley Arabik
Anne F. Avon
Maurice H. Baitler
Roland H. Bennett
Arthur A. Binder
Paul B. Cambo
George G. Canney
Phyllis R. Christensen
Charles E. Dorey
Roger W. Folsom
Oren K. Gilbert
Edward H. Godfrey
Herman G. Grandchamp
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr.
G. Walter Johnson
Harold K. Jones
Edmund S. Lee
Jacquelyn W. Lewis
Doris A. Long
Charles L. Merrick, *Chair.*
William J. Miller
A. Douglas Morgan
Earl H. Paine
Leo P. Paradis
Marjorie W. Payne
E. Helen Porter
Barbara M. Putnam
Franklin T. Richardson
Charles H. Sheline
Bruce A. Stephens
Gladys K. Steup
Harold F. Swetland
Myrtie A. Trant
W. Edwin Watkins

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Mary M. Arabik
Beatrice L. Becker
Marie K. Blaisdell
Harry C. Crawford, Jr.
Robert B. Cross
Jean S. Dana
Robert P. Ensign
Vernon R. Farnsworth
Filomena M. Gilbert
Phyllis A. Gleason
Alice Grandchamp
Louise P. Kilcourse
Jeanette P. Leavitt
Frederick W. Lowe
Curtis McDonald
Howard B. Miller
Lester Mount, Jr.
Muriel G. Murphy
Byron I. Musselman
Nancy Lou Napolitan
Spottiswoode W. Randolph
E. Donald Riddle
Gloria C. Russell
Donald P. Searles
Gilbert E. Stacy
Elizabeth A. Stephens
Carol A. VanBrocklyn

HONORARY MEMBER

J. Loring Brooks

Elected Town Officers

AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

Roger T. Hintze, *Chair.*, 1964
Jesse L. Rice, 1965
Sidney Low, 1966

Town Collector

Mark E. Reynolds, 1964

Town Clerk

Doris G. Cochran, 1964

Town Treasurer

Doris G. Cochran, 1964

Assessors

Allan R. Kinney, *Chair.*, 1964
Edward H. Godfrey, 1965
Harold K. Jones, 1966

School Committee

Alexander W. Marco, *Chair.*, 1966
Ethel M. Musselman, 1964
Dr. Clayton L. Thomas, 1964
Bruce A. Stephens, 1965
Harry J. Dabagian, 1966

Auditor

Spencer W. Moore, 1964

Tree Warden

Gordon R. Long, 1964

Cemetery Commissioners

John Bernet, 1964
Weldon G. Jameson, 1965
Roland H. Bennett, 1966

Water Commissioners

Willard P. Willis, Jr., *Chair.*, 1964
William R. Hannah, 1965
David M. McIntosh, Jr., 1966

Moderator

Ernest W. Furnans, Jr., 1964

Trustees of Public Library

Mary G. Ronk, *Chair.*, 1965
James B. McGuire, 1964
Clifford W. Burgess, 1966

Planning Board

Leo E. Kuehn, *Chair.*, 1968
Richard H. Morgan, 1964
Herbert P. Daunheimer, 1965
Bion T. Wheeler, Jr., 1966
(Resigned)
William E. Leonard
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
William Sullivan, Jr., 1967

Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee

John R. Lyman, *Chair.*, 1965
Chester L. Thorndike, 1964
Doris C. Bowman, 1965
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr., 1966

Pound Keeper

Robert A. Converse, 1964

Surveyors of Lumber

Walter H. Clark, 1964
Jesse L. Rice, 1964

Field Drivers

Benjamin F. Griffin, 1964
Peter Presz, 1964
Leonard VonFlatern, Sr., 1964

Weighers of Grain

Weldon G. Jameson, 1964
Jesse L. Rice, 1964

Measurers of Wood and Charcoal

Walter H. Clark, 1964
Edward P. Lindsay, 1964

Officers Appointed by Selectmen

AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Finance Committee

Aldo E. Alberici, *Chairman*
Irving J. Cordner
Fred T. Googins
Alphonse S. Sambor
Herman G. Grandchamp
Albert H. Howes
Albert E. Neale
Marshall Roper
Harry C. Crawford, Jr.

Superintendent of Streets

Herbert L. Butler

Police Chief

John S. Leary

Constables

Robert A. Converse
Robert C. Dietz

Milk Inspector
Health Officer (Sanitarian)

John A. Brickett

Dog Officer
Animal Inspector
Slaughtering Inspector

Robert A. Converse

Secretary to Selectmen

Mary L. Powers

Accountant

Joseph A. Reilly, 1966

Town Counsel

W. Edwin Watkins

Pest Control Officer

Gordon R. Long

Fire Chief
Forest Warden

Ralph E. Tupper

Board of Appeals

Harry R. Jeffrey, 1966
W. Edwin Watkins, *Chair.*, 1964
Pearl R. Kinney, 1965
Ralph E. Keyes, Assoc. Mem., 1964

Veterans' Agent

George A. Dusenberry, Jr.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Charles L. Merrick

Registrars of Voters

Doris G. Cochran, 1964
(Ex Officio)
Patrick J. O'Connor, 1964
(Deceased)
Thomas F. Gallagher, 1964
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
George G. Canney, 1965
Henry P. Baush, 1966

Playground Commissioners

Truman R. Swallow, *Chair.*
Harold Lovering, Jr.
William J. Miller

Board of Fire Commissioners

Wesley G. Chapman, *Chair.*
Ettore L. Pederzani
Rudolph L. Shultz

Radio Advisory Committee

Herbert L. Butler
Roger T. Hintze (Ex Officio)
John S. Leary
Ralph E. Tupper
G. Frederic Boyce

Park Commissioner

Ralph P. Ormsbee

Civil Defense

Roger T. Hintze, *Director*

Insurance Review Committee

Bert Mount, *Chairman*
Gerald N. Hakes
Leland W. Shaw
Howard S. Bush (Resigned)

Building Inspectors

Anthony G. Mascaro
Thomas W. Farnham, Associate

Industrial Development Committee

Leo Paradis, *Chairman*
Bert Mount (Resigned)
Beatrice L. Becker
Franklin T. Richardson
Robert H. Chapman
Francis J. X. Donohue
Winston T. Leavitt
Nicholas E. Carr
William E. Leonard, Advisory

Personnel Study Committee

Herman G. Grandchamp, *Chair.*
Albert E. Neale
John Bemben
Darrell S. Ames

Bicentennial Committees

History Committee
Charles L. Merrick, *Chair.*
Hubert S. McDonald (Resigned)
Raymond F. Gurney
Harry R. Jeffrey
Beatrice L. Becker (Resigned)
Henry I. Edson (Deceased)
Ralph M. Kilcourse
Leslie D. Polk
Mrs. Dudley Cloud (Resigned)

Celebration Committee
Robert A. Edwards, *Chair.*
Frank G. Shannis, *Co-Chair.*

Prudential Agent — Welfare Dept.

Roger T. Hintze

Electrical Inspector

William E. Fitzgerald

Town Report Committee

Warren I. Fillmore, *Chair.*
Burton W. Hall
Chester L. Thorndike, Jr.
Richard C. Stevens

School Building Committee

Dorrance T. Green, *Chair.*
Ethel M. Musselman
Irving H. Agard
Fred T. Googins
Doris C. Bowman
Andrew G. Duzsik
Edwin M. Osgood
Larry Dwight Lewis
Frederick B. Seel

Plumbing Code Committee

Norman Ellis
Frederick J. Macaulay
Anthony G. Mascaro
Harold Swetland

Fence Viewers

Gordon W. Holdridge
W. Gilbert Allyn
Harry R. Whyte

Shade Tree Committee

Margaret W. Bearse
Clifford W. Burgess, *Chair.*
George G. Canney
Roger T. Hintze
Gordon R. Long
Herol Harrington
Clyde F. Barlow

Power Transmission Committee

Edward H. Godfrey, *Chair.*
William J. Schickler
Clifford W. Burgess
James P. Saxe
Richard L. Danforth
Marshall E. Roper
Andrew Duzsik
Clayton N. Fuller
Thomas F. Gallagher
Roger T. Hintze

Town Disposal Research Committee

John R. Mykrantz, *Chair.*
Ralph E. Keyes
J. Vernon Insley, Jr. (Resigned)
Aldo Alberici
William E. Leonard (Resigned)

By-Laws Study Committee

Richard L. Danforth, *Chair.*
Sidney Low
William Sullivan, Jr.
W. Edwin Watkins
John F. Fitzgerald

Conservation Commission

G. Milo Green, *Chair.*, 1966
Herol Harrington, 1966
David E. Birkhaeuser, 1965
Doris Magruder, 1965
Richard C. Swain, 1965
John C. Sevey, 1964
Francis J. Bennett, 1964

"Clean-Up Paint-Up Fix-Up" Committee

Armand R. Peltier
Charles A. Kendall
John C. Howard
Lester Mount, Jr.
Stanley Opalinski
Dr. Alexander Evans, *Chair.*

In Memoriam

PATRICK J. O'CONNOR

WALTER F. BERRY

HENRY I. EDSON

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN, ss.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Wilbraham in the County of Hampden:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilbraham qualified to vote in elections of Town Officers, to meet in Wilbraham Memorial School in said Town on Saturday, the twenty-first day of March, A.D., 1964 at 8:30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the election of officers of said Town, for the following offices, to wit:

To choose a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Town Collector, and a Tree Warden for the ensuing year; one Selectman for three years who shall be a member of the Board of Public Welfare and Board of Health; one Assessor for three years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; one Library Trustee for three years; two School Committee Members for three years; one Member of the Regional School Committee for three years; one Member of the Planning Board for five years; one Member of the Planning Board for four years; one Member of the Planning Board for two years. The polls shall open at 8:30 a.m. and shall close at 6:30 p.m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Wilbraham, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in Minnechaug Regional High School in said Town on Saturday, the fourteenth day of March, A.D., 1964 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles; viz:

Article 1. To choose one Poundkeeper; two Measurers of Wood and Charcoal; two Surveyors of Lumber; three Field Drivers; two Weighers of Grain — all for the term of one year.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer and other officers or committees.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1964 and ending March 31, 1965.

ARTICLE 3. Recommend that compensation for elected Town Officers be fixed as follows: Town Clerk, $2,600.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,600.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meetings, $15.00 Special Town Meetings; Town Collector, $4,524.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden, $1.75 per hour ($2.00 per hour for use of truck when needed); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00 per year, Chairman, $650.00; Assessors, $1.50 per hour; Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Tax of 1963.

ARTICLE 4. Recommend $1,139.79 be added to the Library Appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee together with the appropriations recommended by them and to raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for defraying the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and appropriate the same and vote how the same shall be raised. (See page 129)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $26,800.00, or any other sum, for the use of the Highway Department under the Chapter 81 Highway Program and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, and upon completion of the work the reimbursement of the State's share, namely $18,425.00 to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. Recommend.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $27,002.00, or any other sum, for the use of the Highway Department under the Chapter 90 Construction Program and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury and upon completion of the work the reimbursement of the County and State's share, namely $20,250.00 to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. Recommend.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $7,502.00, or any other sum, for the use of the Highway Department under the Chapter 90 Maintenance Program and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, and upon completion of the work the reimbursement of the County and State's share, namely $5,000.00 to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. Recommend.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $17,057.08, or any other sum, for the construction of Soule Road, from Stony Hill Road running westerly to East Longmeadow Road for a distance of 1,800 feet, more or less, and that in addition the said sum be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury and the reimbursement from the State of $8,528.54 under Chapter 782, Acts of 1962, and $8,528.54 under Chapter 822, Acts of 1963, be restored upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. Recommend.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way that portion of Joan Street not previously accepted, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 4, 1964; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, and that the sum of $1,815.00, or any other sum, be raised and appro-

priated for construction of said Joan Street, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. Recommend.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Park Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on January 21, 1964, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as South Park Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on January 21, 1964, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way that portion of Brookmont Drive not previously accepted, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 11, 1964; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, and to abandon as a public way any portion of said Brookmont Drive lying outside of the said layout dated February 11, 1964. Said abandonment having already been approved by the Planning Board. No appropriation being necessary therefor.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,000.00, or any other sum, less turn-in value, for the purchase of a 2½ Ton Truck, with two-way radio for the use of the Highway Department, $7,100.00 to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund, and determine whether the balance of the money, namely $900.00, is to be provided by taxation, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. Recommend.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,000.00, or any other sum, for the purchase

of a front end loader, 4 wheel drive, for the use of the Highway Department and determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. Recommend.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,821.00, or any other sum, for the resurfacing of Stony Hill Road from Boston Road running northerly to the Springfield Line for a distance of 3,088 feet more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, with further instructions to the Selectmen to file this project with the Federal Works Acceleration Program whereby the Federal Government's share amounting to 50% of costs, exclusive of any land costs, and upon receipt, such reimbursement be added to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. Recommend.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $30,939.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on Stony Hill Road from the Stony Hill School Road north to Dipping Hole Road for a distance of 1.1 miles, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. Recommend.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,092.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on South Main Street from Minnechaug Regional High School Drive south for a distance of 1,300 feet, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. Recommend.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $21,323.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on Tinkham Road from South Main Street and running westerly to Rochford Drive for a distance of 4,533 feet, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. Recommend.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $34,903.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on South Main Street from Tinkham Road running southerly to Soule Road for a distance of 5,264 feet, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. Recommend.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,867.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on Soule Road from South Main Street and running westerly to Meadowview Road for a distance of 2,120 feet, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21. Recommend.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make application to the Community Facilities Administration of the Housing and Home Finance Agency under the terms of Public Law 560 for an interest free loan to finance a storm drainage study for the town, and that the Selectmen be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Housing and Home Finance Agency for said loan. The above study to be made by an engineering firm selected by the Board of Selectmen with the understanding that the engineering fee shall not exceed the sum

of $9,800.00, or any sum, for the requested planning advance, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. Recommend.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,300.00, or any other sum, which represents cost to the town after deducting the turn-in value of present truck, for use of the Water Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. Recommend.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated funds in the treasury the sum of $12,733.00, or any other sum, to be spent by the Water Department for additional household and business installations for water service, the cost of which is to be collected by the town from the individuals or concerns requesting installations, and which is returned to surplus funds, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. Recommend.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $3,250.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a cruiser for the Police Department and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 25. Recommend.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 40, Section 6B of the General Laws as amended which reads as follows: A city or town which accepts or has accepted this section may appropriate money for the purchase of uniforms for members of its police and fire departments, which may include the purchase of rubber boots and other necessary outer clothing, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. Recommend.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will approve the authorization of $720,000.00, or any other sum, in bonds or notes of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District for the purpose

of constructing and equipping an addition to the District School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to name the new elementary school on Main Street, now under construction, the Mile Oak School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to name the new elementary school on Main Street, now under construction, the John Fitzgerald Kennedy School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00, or any other sum, for the expense account of the Conservation Commission, and determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 30. Recommend.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00, or any other sum, for a "Land Purchase Fund" to be used by the Conservation Commission and determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. Recommend.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,599.02, or any other sum, to replace funds appropriated in 1958, 1959, 1960, and 1961 for the preparation and publishing of a history of the Town in 1963, these appropriations having been returned to surplus, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the treasury $7,280.00, or any other sum, for the cost of garbage collection from the subscribers to be restored, upon their receipt by the Town Collector, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 33. Recommend.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00, or any other sum, to be expended under the joint supervision of the Planning Board and the Board of Assessors for the preparation of maps and plans for the use of said Planning Board and Board of Assessors, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. Recommend.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,000.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sanitary sewer along Stony Hill Road from River Road to the Springfield line to be connected with the Springfield sewer system for the purpose of disposing of sewage in conformity with the requirements of the State Department of Public Health, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 35. Recommend.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $1,000.00, or any other sum, to be spent by the Selectmen for sanitary sewer service to the City of Springfield, such cost to be assessed and, when collected by the town from the individuals who are currently on sanitary sewer service, to be returned to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 36. Recommend.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Sanitary Sewer Study Committee to work with Tighe and Bond relative to the sewer needs and problems in the area of North Wilbraham, for the purpose of disposing of sewage in conformity with the requirements of the State Department of Public Health, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 38. Recommend $50,000.00 to be transferred from available funds and $50,000.00 be raised from taxation.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $25,000.00, or any other sum, for a Reserve Fund; $15,000.00 to be raised by taxation and $10,000.00 to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 39. Recommend.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Study Committee, or Study Committees, to evaluate the advisability of establishing a Department of Public Safety, a Department of Public Works, or any other phase of Town Government Administration that said committee, or committees, deem advisable to consider and to present such recommendations to the townspeople for consideration at some future town meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 40. Recommend.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to support a constitutional grant of home rule for the cities and towns of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and to direct the Selectmen to take such action as may be necessary or advisable to bring about local self-government, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen at their discretion to continue active opposition to the power transmission line presently proposed by the Western Massachusetts Electric Company, and to seek a less damaging route for same, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to adopt as a by-law the town employee personnel plan recommended by the Personnel Study Committee. Said plan is entitled "Personnel Program," is dated February 10, 1964 and is filed with the Town Clerk, and covers town positions other than those filled by popular election and those under the direction and control of the school committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 43. Recommend.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws by adding the following By-Law thereto:

ARTICLE 3A
PERSONNEL BOARD

SECTION 1. There shall be a Personnel Board of five members, not more than two of which shall be Finance Committee members, to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen after each annual town meeting for a term of such duration that the term of at least one member will expire each year.

SECTION 2. Said Board shall administer all matters pertaining to personnel plans and other such provisions of or for the By-Laws regarding personnel classification, fringe benefits, and compensation plans and shall hear and determine all questions arising under such plans.

SECTION 3. Said Board shall periodically study and review any plans as referred to in Section 2 and shall advise and recommend to the Town as to any needed plans or amendments to existing Town adopted plans.

Said study shall include requests for recommendations from all Town department heads and a thorough study and review of any such recommendations shall be made.

(Such personnel plans under the General Laws are not applicable to positions filled by popular election or those under the direction and control of the School Committee.)

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws by adding the following By-Law thereto:

ARTICLE 3A
PERSONNEL BOARD

SECTION 1. The Financial Committee of the Town shall serve as a Personnel Board for the Town.

SECTION 2. Same as Section 2 of Article 44 above.

SECTION 3. Same as Section 3 of Article 44 above.

ARTICLE 45. Recommend.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 32B of the General Laws authorizing any County, City, Town or District to provide a plan of Group Life Insurance, Group Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance, and Group General or Blanket Hospital, Surgical and Medical Insurance for certain persons in the service of such Town or District and their dependents, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to accept General Laws Chapter 39, Section 23 which provides that the election of Town officers shall take place at any time within 7 days before or after the Annual Town Meeting held for the transaction of other business. The time and the place of holding such election and vote shall be stated in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, and such election and vote shall be deemed parts of the Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 48. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1964, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 50. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Post Office at North Wilbraham, one at the Post Office at Wilbraham, and one at Glendale Church, seven days at least, before the time for holding said election and meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time for holding said election and meeting.

Given under our hands this eleventh day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-four.

SELECTMEN OF WILBRAHAM
Roger T. Hintze, *Chairman*
Jesse L. Rice
Sidney Low

Finance Committee Report

At the beginning of the third century of Wilbraham's incorporation as a town the following examination of our population increase provides a necessary background for (1) consideration of our present financial situation, and, (2) determining what action should be taken now to assure, as far as possible, the continuation of the efficient and satisfactory type of town government, services, and schools which we have had up to this time.

POPULATION INCREASE

Year	*Population*
1963	8,200 Estimated
1960	7,387
1955	5,600
1950	4,003
1945	3,442

Looking toward the future, Technical Planning Associates, which is preparing our Master Plan estimates that by 1970 Wilbraham may have a population between 11,000 and 14,000. And, by 1980 it may be between 18,000 and 25,000.

With increasing population, each successive year has required increasing budgets for operating expenses. In addition, substantial capital outlays have been necessary. While capital outlays for elementary school buildings are not required in 1964, increases in town operating expenses continue this upward trend.

During our customary annual review with the people responsible for departmental budget preparation it was apparent that each department is attempting to provide the necessary services for our expanding population in the least expensive manner, consistent with good business principles. We want to thank each of them for the assistance they have given us in the preparation of the proposed 1964 budget. Special thanks, too, go to Mr. Joseph A. Reilly, Town Accountant, for without his assistance and preparation of reports our work would have been much more difficult.

A comparison of 1963 and 1964 is as follows:

	1963	
Appropriations raised by taxation	$1,774,031.21	
Appropriations from available funds	347,101.59	$2,121,132.80

	1964		
Appropriations recommended to be raised by taxation		$1,955,663.29	
Appropriations recommended from Available Funds	$207,645.89		
Appropriation previously voted from Available Funds	40.37	207,686.26	$2,163,349.55

As indicated above the total amount raised by taxation and obtained from available funds in 1963 was $2,121,132.80. The comparable figure for 1964 is $2,163,349.55. This represents in 1964 a total increase of $42,216.75. This proposed 1964 budget includes an increase of $181,632.08 over 1963 from taxation and a decrease of $139,415.33 as compared to 1963 from available funds.

The amount of increase to be raised by taxation, $181,632.08, is accounted for as follows:

INCREASES FROM TAXATION, 1964 VS. 1963

ARTICLE 5			
Schools — Increases			
Local Schools	$91,343.00		
Regional School	32,674.00	$124,017.00	
Other Increases			
General Government	7,554.00		
Protection of Persons and Property	24,428.00		
Health and Sanitation	12,000.00		
Highways	11,843.00		
Charities	7,575.85		
Veterans' Services	1,030.00		
Library	3,558.95		
Recreation and Celebrations	810.00		
Pensions	2,244.77		
Unclassified	2,100.00		
Water Department	1,448.00		
Cemeteries	475.00		
Debt and Interest	26,940.00	101,987.57	
Special Articles — 1964			
Sidewalks	41,238.00		
Stabilization Fund	20,000.00		
Reserve Fund	15,000.00		
Sewer Construction	14,000.00	90,238.00	
Total Increases			$316,242.57

DECREASES FROM TAXATION, 1964 VS. 1963

Special Articles 1963		
Appropriation for So. Main St. School	$61,480.49	
Bicentennial	16,850.00	
Highways, Net	8,750.00	
All Other, Net	5,830.00	
Special Articles 1962		
Appropriation for So. Main St. School	41,700.00	$134,610.49
Net Increases from Taxation, 1964 vs. 1963		$181,632.08

The amount of decrease in the use of Available Funds in the amount of $139,415.33 is accounted for as follows:

For Schools — Decrease			
Special Articles 1963			
School Building So. Main St.		$193,523.51	
Special Article 1962			
Repair Stony Hill School Roof		14,500.00	
Transfer to Pines School		4,290.34	
Total Reduction for Schools			$212,313.85
For All Other — Increase			
Sidewalks	$51,062.00		
Highways	21,232.08		
History Committee	6,599.02		
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00		
All Other, Net	1,852.42	85,745.52	
Less Decrease			
Reserve Fund	10,000.00		
Bicentennial Committee	2,500.00		
Water Department	347.00	12,847.00	
Net Increase			72,898.52
Total Decrease from Available Funds			$139,415.33

Summary of total increase to be raised in 1964 versus 1963:

By taxation — Increase	$181,632.08
Less Available Funds — Decrease	139,415.33
Net Increase	$42,216.75

From the above it is apparent the largest single item of increase is in the school budget. It should be pointed out that while Wilbraham's population increase over the 15-year period from 1948 through 1963 is about 117%, the increase in the "school population" during this same period is 377%. Obviously, larger school budgets and a higher per family tax cost is the end result.

As 1964 budget recommendations do not include funds for providing additional elementary school buildings, the amount of appropriations under the category of Special Articles is reduced as compared to 1963. However, the rapid population increase and the number of new dwellings either built or in the planning stage indicates additional schools will undoubtedly be required soon. A new school survey committee was recently appointed to study future school building needs.

While the Town Warrant will contain an article asking for approval to construct an addition to Minnechaug Regional High School, no appropriation will be required for this project in 1964. However, subsequent years' budgets will reflect construction and operation costs of this proposed addition.

Again, in reference to schools, recommendations are included in special articles for the construction of additional sidewalks adjacent to schools. Not only is this good planning for pedestrian schoolchild safety, but is good planning from a financial viewpoint. Over relatively few years the savings in bus transportation offsets the cost of the walks, including maintenance and allied expenses.

One of the larger increases this year is in the category of "Protection of Persons and Property." This reflects the need for increased fire protection as a result of growth of the town.

Increases in "Health and Sanitation" result from strict Commonwealth requirements concerning operation and maintenance of the town dump.

Debt and Interest increases are primarily the result of school bonds for the new elementary school on South Main Street.

Under "Special Articles" above you will note an item headed "Sewer Construction." In January 1964 the Commonwealth issued instructions for Wilbraham to take immediate action toward discontinuing discharging raw sewage into the Chicopee River. The above appropriation is the first step in meeting Commonwealth requirements.

In the warrant for the 1964 annual town meeting will be an article sponsored by the Board of Selectmen for the authorization to appoint a study committee, or committees, to report at a future town meeting the advisability of establishing a Department of Public Safety, a Department of Public Works or any other phase of Town Government administration they may deem advisable. In view of the possibility that better coordination and more efficient utilization of available manpower and equipment might result, the Finance Board concurs in this recommendation and ask that townspeople give this article full support.

The value of the Stabilization Fund, originally established in 1956 has proved of inestimable value, not once but many times. Without this method of accumulating funds in anticipation of future capital expenditures our bonded indebtedness would be much larger than is the case today. In view of expected demands for funds for such items as additional schools, sewers, and other capital projects, we strongly urge adding to this Fund this year the sum of $100,000.00.

As Wilbraham grows, more and more pressure will become apparent for ever-increasing expenditures. Each of us, whether or not in Town Government, must evaluate every request for funds and for services in the light of its effect on, and its value to, the entire Town. It is only in this manner that expenditures and increases in our individual tax bills can be held within reasonable limits.

Aldo Alberici, *Chairman*

Irving J. Cordner
Harry C. Crawford, Jr.
Fred T. Googins
Herman G. Grandchamp
Albert H. Howes
Albert E. Neale
Marshall Roper
Alphonse Sambor

ARTICLE 5 APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED

	1963 Appropriations As Modified	1963 Expended	1964 Budget	1964 Recommended Totals
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Selectmen				
Salaries and Wages	$7,982.00	$7,347.59	$9,039.00	
Expense	2,200.00	1,570.03	1,525.00	
Out-of-State Travel	66.66	66.66	75.00	
Total	$10,248.66	$8,984.28		$10,639.00
Accounting Department				
Salaries and Wages	$8,151.00	$7,899.71	$8,455.00	
Expense	398.00	306.70	335.00	
Total	$8,549.00	$8,206.41		8,790.00
Town Treasurer				
Salaries and Wages	$4,643.00	$4,638.02	$4,966.00	
Expense	1,311.00	1,304.75	575.00	
Total	$5,954.00	$5,942.77		5,541.00
Town Collector				
Salaries and Wages	$7,565.00	$7,542.19	$8,126.00	
Expense	1,351.00	1,324.93	1,596.00	
Total	$8,916.00	$8,867.12		9,722.00
Assessors, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$10,046.00	$8,852.53	$11,427.00	
Expense	1,700.00	1,486.50	2,070.00	
Total	$11,746.00	$10,339.03		13,497.00
Town Clerk				
Salaries and Wages	$3,632.00	$3,631.20	$3,783.00	
Expense	386.16	320.13	300.00	
Total	$4,018.16	$3,951.33		4,083.00
Legal				
Salaries and Wages	$2,500.00	$1,925.00	$2,875.00	
Expense	1,050.00	789.50	1,300.00	
Total	$3,550.00	$2,714.50		4,175.00
Elections and Town Meeting Exp.				
Salaries and Wages	$594.18	$594.18	$2,350.00	
Expense	561.82	561.60	738.00	
Total	$1,156.00	$1,155.78		3,088.00

	1963 Appropriations As Modified	1963 Expended	1964 Budget	1964 Recommended Totals
Registrars of Voters				
Salaries and Wages	$1,228.73	$894.00	$1,030.00	
Expense	221.27	221.27	232.00	
Total	$1,450.00	$1,115.27		1,262.00
Planning Board				
Salaries and Wages	$1,265.26	$1,265.26	$1,815.00	
Expense	1,491.01	1,381.97	2,683.00	
Total	$2,756.27	$2,647.23		4,498.00
Town Office and Bldg. Maint.				
Salaries and Wages	$1,560.00	$1,194.75	$1,638.00	
Expense	5,030.00	4,745.28	4,355.00	
Total	$6,590.00	$5,940.03		5,993.00
Town Auditor				
Salaries and Wages	$200.00	$200.00	$50.00	50.00
Total Gen. Government	$65,134.09	$60,063.75		$71,338.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY				
Police Department				
Salaries and Wages	$27,314.00	$26,001.99	$32,272.00	
Expense	4,500.00	4,374.63	4,790.00	
Total	$31,814.00	$30,376.62		$37,062.00
Fire Department				
Salaries and Wages	$23,248.00	$22,502.00	$39,495.00	
Expense	6,637.00	5,659.14	8,557.00	
Total	$29,885.00	$28,161.14		48,052.00
Pest Control				
Salaries and Wages	$457.93	$456.50	$600.00	
Expense	742.07	742.07	900.00	
Total	$1,200.00	$1,198.57		1,500.00
Dead Wood				
Salaries and Wages	$1,689.00	$1,687.50	$1,700.00	
Expense	1,811.00	1,810.15	1,800.00	
Total	$3,500.00	$3,497.65		3,500.00
Forest Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$500.00	$430.00	$500.00	
Expense	400.00	392.00	400.00	
Total	$900.00	$822.00		900.00

	1963 Appropriations As Modified	1963 Expended	1964 Budget	1964 Recommended Totals
Aid to Agriculture	$150.00	$150.00	$125.00	125.00
Tree Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$1,785.00	$1,776.75	$2,000.00	
Expense	1,715.00	1,714.41	2,000.00	
Total	$3,500.00	$3,491.16		4,000.00
Civil Defense				
Salaries and Wages	$797.00	$758.00	$824.00	
Expense	1,855.00	1,853.18	776.00	
Total	$2,652.00	$2,611.18		1,600.00
Dog Officer				
Salaries and Wages	$150.00	$150.00	$150.00	150.00
Building Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$2,025.00	$2,025.00	$2,525.00	
Expense	685.00	676.03	675.00	
Total	$2,710.00	$2,701.03		3,200.00
Wiring Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$690.00	$690.00	$810.00	
Expense	650.00	628.20	650.00	
Totals	$1,340.00	$1,318.20		1,460.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures				
Salaries and Wages	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00	
Expense	41.45	41.45	15.00	
Total	$341.45	$341.45		315.00
Appeals, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$533.13	$533.13	$690.00	
Expense	191.87	172.75	215.00	
Total	$725.00	$705.88		905.00
Total Protection of Persons and Property	$78,867.45	$75,524.88		$102,769.00
HEALTH AND SANITATION				
Board of Health				
Salaries and Wages	$2,804.06	$2,804.06	$4,200.00	
Expense	9,157.40	9,157.40	16,400.00	
Total	$11,961.46	$11,961.46		$20,600.00
Dental Clinic				
Salaries and Wages	$300.00	$300.00		

	1963 Appropriations As Modified	1963 Expended	1964 Budget	1964 Recommended Totals
Mosquito Control				
Salaries and Wages	$310.00	$240.00	$310.00	
Expense	2,290.00	2,194.96	2,290.00	
Total	$2,600.00	$2,434.96		2,600.00
Inspector of Animals				
Salaries and Wages	$65.00	$65.00	$65.00	65.00
Inspector of Slaughtering				
Salaries and Wages	$50.00	$50.00	$50.00	50.00
Total Health and Sanitation	$14,976.46	$14,811.42		$23,315.00
HIGHWAYS				
Highway Department				
Salaries and Wages	$25,881.06	$23,703.94	$31,510.00	
Expense	27,659.09	27,555.94	32,400.00	
Total	$53,540.15	$51,259.88		$63,910.00
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.	7,500.00	6,930.41	8,000.00	8,000.00
Street Lights	9,000.00	8,360.99	9,970.00	9,970.00
Total Highways	$70,040.15	$66,551.28		$81,880.00
CHARITIES				
Department of Public Welfare				
Administration			$1,075.85	
Aid				
General Relief	$7,083.50	$4,687.37	5,000.00	
Old Age Assistance	28,874.80	26,190.00	28,000.00	
Aid to Dep. Children	7,244.75	5,878.08	10,000.00	
Disability Assistance	2,000.00	1,289.25	4,500.00	
Total Charities	$45,203.05	$38,044.70		$48,575.85
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS				
Veterans' Service Department				
Salaries and Wages	$570.00	$560.33	$600.00	
Expense	20.00	16.70	30.00	
Aid	5,110.48	4,630.61	5,370.00	
Total Soldiers' Benefits	$5,700.48	$5,207.64		$6,000.00
SCHOOLS				
Local				
Salaries and Wages	$507,816.00	$515,477.10	$595,128.00	
Expense	153,231.23	145,223.91	157,215.00	
Out-of-State Travel	80.00	21.08	80.00	
Total Local	$661,127.23	$660,722.09		$752,423.00
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional	397,510.96	397,510.96	430,184.96	430,184.96
Total Schools	$1,058,638.19	$1,058,233.05		$1,182,607.96

	1963 Appropriations As Modified	1963 Expended	1964 Budget	1964 Recommended Totals
LIBRARY				
Salaries and Wages	$16,350.54	$16,029.64	$18,473.00	
Expense	7,575.46	7,575.46	7,904.21	
Total	$23,926.00	$23,605.10		$26,377.21
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS				
Parks				
Salaries and Wages	$375.00	$351.30	$375.00	
Expense	225.00	110.07	100.00	
Total	$600.00	$461.37		$475.00
Playgrounds				
Salaries and Wages	$2,600.00	$2,599.51	$3,150.00	
Expense	2,780.00	2,270.57	2,735.00	
Total	$5,380.00	$4,870.08		5,885.00
Community Program	$6,000.00	$5,883.94	$6,480.00	6,480.00
Memorial and Independence Day	$250.00	$183.81	$200.00	200.00
Total Recreation and Celebration	$12,230.00	$11,399.20		$13,040.00
PENSIONS				
Assessment — Hampden County Retirement System	$11,418.00	$11,418.00	$13,642.77	$13,642.77
UNCLASSIFIED				
Printing Town Reports	$3,584.53	$3,584.53	$3,600.00	
Insurance and Bonding	8,700.00	8,413.38	9,800.00	
Industrial Development	100.00	9.60	600.00	
Total Unclassified	$12,384.53	$12,007.51		$14,000.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE				
Water Dept. — Maintenance				
Salaries and Wages	$10,135.47	$10,135.47	$9,963.00	
Expense	18,879.53	15,987.48	20,500.00	
Total Public Serv. Enter.	$29,015.00	$26,122.95		$30,463.00
CEMETERIES				
Salaries and Wages	$915.00	$912.50	$1,250.00	
Expense	985.00	691.58	1,125.00	
Total Cemeteries	$1,900.00	$1,604.08		$2,375.00

	1963 Appropriations As Modified	1963 Expended	1964 Budget	1964 Recommended Totals
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST				
Maturing Debt				
School Bonds	$95,000.00	$95,000.00	$130,000.00	
Water Bonds	15,000.00	15,000.00	5,000.00	
Maturing Interest				
School Bonds	16,737.50	16,737.50	18,895.00	
Water Bonds	1,425.00	1,425.00	1,207.50	
Temporary Loan Interest	1,800.00	1,779.05	1,800.00	
Total Mat. Debt & Int.	$129,962.50	$129,941.55		$156,902.50
Total Article 5	$1,559,395.90	$1,534,535.11		$1,773,286.29

We also recommend appropriations under some Articles in the Warrant as follows:

		From Available Funds	From Tax Levy	1964 Recommended Totals
Article 4	Library	$1,139.79		$1,139.79
Article 6	Chapter 81 — Highway Work	18,425.00	$8,375.00	26,800.00
Article 7	Chapter 90 — Highway Const.	20,250.00	6,752.00	27,002.00
Article 8	Chapter 90 — Highway Maint.	5,000.00	2,502.00	7,502.00
Article 9	Construction — Soule Road	17,057.08		17,057.08
Article 10	Construction — Joan Street		1,815.00	1,815.00
Article 14	Highway Dept. — 2½ Ton Truck	7,100.00	900.00	8,000.00
Article 15	Highway Dept. — Front End Loader		14,000.00	14,000.00
Article 16	Resurface Stony Hill Road		8,821.00	8,821.00
Article 17	Sidewalk Construction	15,469.50	15,469.50	30,939.00
Article 18	Sidewalk Construction	2,546.00	2,546.00	5,092.00
Article 19	Sidewalk Construction	10,661.50	10,661.50	21,323.00
Article 20	Sidewalk Construction	17,451.50	17,451.50	34,903.00
Article 21	Sidewalk Construction	4,933.50	4,933.50	9,867.00
Article 23	Water Department Truck		2,300.00	2,300.00
Article 24	Installations — Water Dept.	12,733.00		12,733.00
Article 25	Police Cruiser		3,250.00	3,250.00
Article 30	Conservation Commission		100.00	100.00
Article 31	Land Purchase Fund		1,000.00	1,000.00
Article 32	History Committee*		6,599.02	6,599.02
Article 33	Garbage Collection	7,280.00		7,280.00
Article 34	Maps — Assessors and Planning Board		2,500.00	2,500.00
Article 35	Sewer Construction		14,000.00	14,000.00
Article 36	Sewer Rental	1,000.00		1,000.00
Article 38	Stabilization Fund	50,000.00	50,000.00	100,000.00
Article 39	Reserve Fund	10,000.00	15,000.00	25,000.00
		$207,645.89	$182,377.00	
Total Special Articles				$390,022.89
Total Recommendations				$2,163,309.18

SUMMARY

Appropriations recommended to be raised by taxation	$1,955,663.29
Appropriations recommended from available funds	207,645.89
Total	$2,163,309.18

* *Finance Committee will make recommendation at Town Meeting*

Financial Statements

1963

Auditor's Report

I have examined the financial statements of the Town of Wilbraham, reviewed the system of internal control, examined the various accounting records on a selective basis and conducted a limited cash audit. I believe that all cash collected has been properly recorded and deposited, that disbursements are supported by proper vouchers, and that the Treasurer's cash balance as of December 31, 1963 is correct.

SPENCER W. MOORE

Town of Wilbraham

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1963

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		
Cash:		
General		$589,227.34
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Real Estate:		
Levy of 1951		3.60
Levy of 1952		3.90
Levy of 1953		2.10
Levy of 1954		2.25
Levy of 1955		2.35
Levy of 1956		2.50
Levy of 1957		2.60
Levy of 1958		2.75
Levy of 1959		3.25
Levy of 1960		3.25
Levy of 1961		73.74
Levy of 1962		11,731.29
Levy of 1963:		
Personal Property	$1,968.13	
Real Estate	54,040.89	56,009.02
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1962	$276.73	
Levy of 1963	38,701.84	38,978.57
Special Assessments:		
Water Mains:		
Unapportioned	$705.12	
Street Assessments:		
Unapportioned	871.48	

Liabilities and Reserves		
Tailings:		
Unclaimed Checks		$135.09
Trust Fund Income:		
Hines Family Burial Lot	$56.84	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	29.07	85.91
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Assistance	$395.75	
Aid to Families With Dependent Children:		
Aid	252.41	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	844.15	
Assistance	856.12	
Medical Aid for the Aged:		
Aid	450.24	
School:		
Public Law No. 81-874	37,307.43	
Public Law No. 85-864	745.55	40,851.65
School Lunch Program		14,899.43
Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue:		
General	$31,454.78	
Non-Revenue:		
Pines School Addition	508.04	
School Project 1963	210,270.28	
Water Mains	689.65	242,922.75

Added to Taxes:		
Levy of 1962	30.00	
Levy of 1963	43.00	
Committed Interest:		
Levy of 1962	10.60	
Levy of 1963	14.88	1,675.08
Tax Titles		6,533.07
Departmental:		
Ambulance Service	$400.00	
Selectmen's Licenses	158.25	
Aid to Families With Dependent Children	2,104.04	
Old Age Assistance	283.91	
Veterans' Services	1,453.94	4,400.14
Water:		
Rates	$3,212.62	
Installations	1,934.08	5,146.70
Aid to Highways:		
State	$6,965.32	
County	8,800.00	15,765.32
Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts:		
Overdrawn Appropriations:		
State Recreation Areas	$378.50	
County Tax	331.90	
County T.B. Hospital	51.90	762.30
Overlay Deficit:		
Levy of 1963		7,174.81
		$737,505.93

Road Machinery Fund		7,275.33
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		10,746.94
Overlay Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1962		16,857.51
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$38,978.57	
Special Assessment	1,675.08	
Tax Titles	6,533.07	
Departmental	4,400.14	
Water	5,146.70	
Aid to Highway	15,765.32	72,498.88
Appropriation Reserved for Town Meeting		9,900.00
Surplus Revenue		321,332.44
		$737,505.93

DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Assessments Not Due:		Apportioned Street Assessment Revenue:	
Street	$2,655.00	Due in 1964 to 1979, Inclusive	$2,655.00

Town of Wilbraham — Balance Sheet — December 31, 1963 (Continued)

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:			Inside Debt Limit:		
Inside Debt Limit		$165,000.00	School Addition Loan		$165,000.00
Outside Debt Limit:			Outside Debt Limit:		
General	$660,000.00		General:		
Water	60,000.00	720,000.00	Memorial School Loan	$90,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1957	280,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1961	120,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1963	170,000.00	
			Water Loans	60,000.00	720,000.00
		$885,000.00			$885,000.00

STABILIZATION FUND

Balance December 31, 1962	$183,935.59	Expenditures:	
Appropriation March 16, 1963	75,000.00	School Project — 1963	$183,000.00
Interest on Deposits	4,839.05	Balance December 31, 1963	80,774.64
	$263,774.64		$263,774.64

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

In Trust and Investment Funds:		In Custody of Treasurer:	
Cash and Securities:		Chloe B. Stebbins Charity Fund	$326.54
In Custody of Treasurer	$101,460.89	Deacon Warriner School Fund	1,224.74
In Custody of Trustees	204.53	School Lot Fund	1,274.85
		Chloe B. Stebbins Library Fund	183.11
		Abner W. Bell Library Fund	72.90
		Henry Cutler Library Funds	1,361.20
		Civil War Mortar Memorial Plaque Fund	57.19
		Ethelbert Bliss Cemetery General Care Fund	1,962.20
		Laura Bruuer Cemetery General Care Fund	1,186.71
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	11,834.27
		Soldiers Monument Park Fund	1,202.54
		Stabilization Fund	80,774.64
		In Custody of Probate Court:	
		Hines Family Burial Lot Fund	204.53
	$101,665.42		$101,665.42

Town of Wilbraham

Bonded Indebtedness

December 31, 1963

Maturity Year	1949 Memorial School	1953 Addition Memorial and Pines	1957 Addition Stony Hill School	1961 Addition Pines School	1963 New Elementary School	1955 Water Bonds	Total
1964	$15,000	$20,000	$20,000	$40,000	$35,000	$5,000	$135,000
1965	15,000	20,000	20,000	40,000	35,000	5,000	135,000
1966	15,000	20,000	20,000	40,000	35,000	5,000	135,000
1967	15,000	15,000	20,000		35,000	5,000	90,000
1968	15,000	15,000	20,000		30,000	5,000	85,000
1969	15,000	15,000	20,000			5,000	55,000
1970		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1971		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1972		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1973		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1974			20,000			5,000	25,000
1975			20,000			5,000	25,000
1976			20,000				20,000
1977			20,000				20,000
Totals	$90,000	$165,000	$280,000	$120,000	$170,000	$60,000	$885,000

The unpaid balance of State School Construction Grants Payable over the life of the School Construction Bonds is $545,312.70. In addition the Town is contingently liable for 77.5% of the $1,565,000. balance of the Minnechaug Regional High School Construction and Planning Loans.

Recapitulation of Surplus Revenue — 1963

Balance January 1, 1963		$325,144.25
Deduct:		
Appropriations — Annual Town Meeting	$112,155.00	
Chap. 81 Appropriation reopened	73.80	
Appropriation — Special Town Meeting	40.37	
Tax Titles Taken — 1961 Levy	667.04	
Taxes — 1963 added to tax titles	1,036.35	113,972.56
		$211,171.69
Add:		
Excess — Lands of Low Value	$73.95	
Highway Aid — State	32,423.04	
Highway Aid — County	15,497.36	
Tax Title Disclaimer	38.95	
Additional Taxes not entering into computation of 1963 tax levy	86.36	
Petty Cash Advances prior to 1963	84.00	
Estimated Receipts in excess of estimate	23,700.24	
Appropriation Balances — Current year	31,603.41	
Appropriation Balances — prior years	6,653.44	110,160.75
Balance — December 31, 1963		$321,332.44

Statutory Debt Limit

Real and Personal:		
Valuation 1961 — net of abatements	$13,979,025	
Valuation 1962 — net of abatements	47,052,516	
Valuation 1963 — not of abatements	49,873,205	$110,904,746
Motor Vehicle:		
Valuation 1961 — net of abatements	$2,444,138	
Valuation 1962 — net of abatements	2,807,727	
Valuation 1963 — net of abatements	3,126,950	8,378,815
Total		$119,283,561
Average Net Valuation	$39,761,187	
5% Statutory Borrowing Capacity	1,988,059	
Less outstanding debt (inside limit)	165,000	
Borrowing capacity December 31, 1963		$1,823,059

Town Treasurer's Report

CASH RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1963			$381,982.69
Receipts during 1963			
Taxes:			
Real Estate:			
1961	$9,134.72		
1962	42,639.36		
1963	1,075,017.83	$1,126,791.91	
Personal:			
1961	$71.00		
1962	3,510.65		
1963	45,414.57	48,996.22	
Poll:			
1962	$40.00		
1963	4,250.00	4,290.00	
Excise:			
1961	$49.10		
1962	13,180.75		
1963	170,813.88	184,043.73	
Farm Animal Excise:			
1963		110.48	
Total Taxes			$1,364,232.34
Interest:			
On Taxes		$1,992.55	
On Savings		2,387.90	
Committed		122.52	
Total Interest			4,502.97
Municipal Liens			175.00
Water Department:			
Water Rates		$73,611.70	
Installation Deposits		11,138.67	
Miscellaneous		2,390.38	
Total Water Department			87,140.75
Licenses:			
Dogs		$1,617.25	
Milk Inspector's		28.00	
Selectmen — Committed		6,998.33	
Selectmen — Cash		42.50	
Police		86.00	
Total Licenses			8,772.08

Fees:			
Town Clerk:			
Dogs	$203.00		
Sporting	154.35		
Miscellaneous	1,057.75	$1,415.10	
Town Collector		984.05	
Planning Board		387.50	
Board of Appeals		379.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures		163.10	
Total Fees			3,328.75
Building Permits			3,327.50
Electrical Permits			2,224.00
Gas Permits			515.00
Disposal Permits			725.00
Garbage Collection			7,621.75
Accident Reports			270.00
Street Betterments:			
Unapportioned		$1,645.46	
Committed		318.08	
Paid in Advance		75.00	2,038.54
Deductions:			
Payroll:			
Federal Taxes		$98,126.21	
State Taxes		9,326.71	
State — Employer's Compensation		66.95	
County Retirement		10,385.12	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield		4,217.46	
Other:			
Road Machinery Earnings		5,743.05	
Total Deductions			127,865.50
School Department:			
School Lunches — Sales		$42,602.19	
School Lunches — State and Federal Reimbursement		20,950.27	
Auditorium Rental		527.00	
Tuition		349.32	
Miscellaneous		182.04	
Total School Department			64,610.82
Federal Grants:			
Old Age Assistance		$15,672.23	
Aid to Families with Dependent Children		9,031.60	
Disability Assistance		2,017.50	

Medical Aid for Aged	16,177.54	
School Aid — Public Law 874	7,282.00	
School Aid — Public Law 864	755.62	
Highway Aid	9,900.00	
Total Federal Grants		60,836.49
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highways	$32,423.04	
Income Tax	13,303.00	
Income Tax — Chapter 70	101,167.72	
Income Tax — Mentally Retarded	7,618.42	
Income Tax — Library Aid	1,846.75	
Corporation Tax	30,271.15	
School Aid — Chapter 645	74,638.29	
Matching Stabilization Fund Payment	100,000.00	
Transportation	41,720.91	
Vocational Education	5,283.67	
Division of Child Guardianship	1,322.31	
Youth Service Board	3,600.00	
Lieu of Taxes	1,783.40	
Meals Tax (O.A.A.)	1,706.74	
Total Commonwealth		416,685.40
County of Hampden:		
Highways	$15,497.36	
Dog Officer's Fees	216.00	
Dog Refund	1,107.74	
Court and Jail Fines	1,334.75	
Total County		18,155.85
Accounts Receivable:		
General Relief	$1,263.85	
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	4,899.33	
Disability Assistance	593.02	
Old Age Assistance	7,556.37	
Medical Aid for Aged	11,063.35	
Veterans' Services	1,205.03	
Ambulance Service	515.00	
Total		27,095.95
Library:		
Fines, Lost and Damaged Books		804.98
Trust Fund Income:		
Hines Burial Lot	$8.16	
Bliss Family Burial Lot	108.00	
Total Trust Funds		116.16

Tax Anticipation Loan	300,000.00	
1963 School Project Loan	170,000.00	
1963 School Project Loan — Premium	35.70	
1963 School Project Loan — Interest	11.81	
Stabilization Fund	183,000.00	
Appropriation Refunds	1,792.55	
Refunds Credited to Surplus	84.00	
Refunds Credited to Estimated Receipts	53.20	
Old Age Assistance Recoveries	2,771.26	
Unclaimed Checks	135.09	
Bicentennial Celebration	17,569.40	
Civil Defense	6.00	
Total Receipts 1963		2,876,503.84
Total January 1, 1962 Plus 1962 Receipts		$3,258,486.53
Less Payments per Warrants		2,669,259.19
Cash Balance December 31, 1963		$589,227.34

Treasurer's Trust Fund Report

	Balance Jan. 1, 1963	Receipts	Balance Dec. 31, 1963
Chloe B. Stebbins Charity Fund	$313.88	$12.66	$326.54
Deacon Warriner School Fund	1,177.20	47.54	1,224.74
School Lot Fund	1,223.88	50.97	1,274.85
Chloe B. Stebbins Library Fund	176.01	7.10	183.11
Abner E. Bell Library Fund	70.08	2.82	72.90
Henry Cutler Library Funds	1,308.40	52.80	1,361.20
Civil War Mortar Memorial Plaque Fund	54.01	3.18	57.19
Soldiers' Monument Park Fund	1,155.88	46.66	1,202.54
G. Frank Adams	390.45	15.76	406.21
Charles L. Amadon	235.63	9.50	245.13
John W. Baldwin	232.11	9.67	241.78
John W. Baldwin	291.01	12.13	303.14
Bishop Lot	240.78	9.70	250.48
Henry A. Bowker	162.55	6.54	169.09
Edward H. Brewer	675.02	27.26	702.28
Laura Bruuer	1,140.65	46.06	1,186.71
Albro Bryant	115.98	4.81	120.79
Philip & Angeline R. Butler	144.17	6.00	150.17
Henry C. Butler & Herbert F. Green	180.60	7.51	188.11
James A. Butler	240.99	10.02	251.01
Ethelbert Bliss	1,821.16	141.04	1,962.20
William Butler	162.55	6.54	169.09
Abel B. Calkins	222.93	9.26	232.19
Charles M. Calkins	144.17	6.00	150.17
Howard Calkins	318.48	12.84	331.32
Emma Carson	81.63	3.28	84.91

Inez V. Chilson	163.61	6.58	170.19
Henry Clark	162.54	6.54	169.08
Frederick Coon	67.50	2.70	70.20
Evalina H. Copeland	144.17	6.00	150.17
Lucy M. Dane	116.00	4.83	120.83
Hiram Danks	114.39	4.60	118.99
Dasco Lot	299.09	12.08	311.17
J. W. Dunsmore	227.01	9.16	236.17
F. A. Fuller & Marshall A. Lane	505.64	20.40	526.04
Charles H. Gates	144.17	6.00	150.17
Harriet Gates	232.31	9.67	241.98
Blanche B. Gilbert	223.74	9.30	233.04
W. H. Graves	113.87	4.58	118.45
Benjamin B. Green	144.17	6.00	150.17
B. Franklin Greene	115.98	4.81	120.79
Fred W. Green	144.17	6.00	150.17
Henry Green	155.67	6.26	161.93
Lora M. Green	90.61	3.76	94.37
Eliza V. Jones	162.54	6.54	169.08
Anna C. Kibbe	164.12	6.62	170.74
Abraham Knowlton	116.15	4.83	120.98
Charles R. Knowlton	162.55	6.54	169.09
George E. Knowlton	232.03	9.65	241.68
Etta Simmons May	227.61	9.18	236.79
Angeline P. Morgan	116.60	4.85	121.45
Charles North	294.58	11.88	306.46
Charles J. Parker	348.23	14.50	362.73
Inez M. Perry	144.17	6.00	150.17
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Ira G. Potter	164.10	6.62	170.72
P. P. Potter	116.07	4.83	120.90
William H. Read	228.24	9.20	237.44
Jesse L. Rice	228.20	9.20	237.40
Frank R. & Hattie E. Rindge	102.51	4.25	106.76
Allyn M. Seaver	229.92	9.55	239.47
Spear-Butler Lot	299.58	12.08	311.66
Chloe B. Stebbins	113.89	4.58	118.47
Luther & Milton Stebbins	228.12	9.20	237.32
Frances E. Stebbins	287.34	11.96	299.30
Elizabeth B. Tupper	57.03	2.30	59.33
Martha E. Smith	82.18	3.41	85.59
Nellie Spencer	115.98	4.81	120.79
	$19,810.75	$875.50	$20,686.25

Town Clerk's Report

RECEIPTS

Dog Licenses		
409 Males at $2.00	$818.00	
341 Spayed Females at $2.00	682.00	
58 Females at $5.00	290.00	
3 Kennel at $10.00	30.00	
1 Transfer at $0.25	.25	$1,820.25
Sporting Licenses		
241 Resident Fishing at $4.25	$1,024.25	
153 Resident Hunting at $4.25	650.25	
95 Resident Sporting at $7.25	688.75	
43 Resident Fishing (Minor) at $2.25	96.75	
52 Resident Fishing (Female) at $3.25	169.00	
1 Resident Citizen Trapping at $7.75	7.75	
7 Special Non-Resident Fishing at $4.25	29.75	
3 Non-Resident Citizen Fishing at $8.75	26.25	
9 Duplicate Licenses at $0.50	4.50	
56 Archery Deer Stamps at $1.10	61.60	
43 Resident Citizen Sporting (Free)		
1 Resident Citizen Fishing — Blind (Free)		2,758.85
Marriage Licenses		
72 at $2.00	$144.00	
8 at $4.00	32.00	176.00
Miscellaneous		
Recording Financing Statements	$580.50	
Copies of Records	137.50	
Pole Locations	118.00	
Gasoline Storage Permits, etc.	37.75	873.75
		$5,628.85

PAYMENTS

County — Dog Licenses		$1,617.25
Division of Fisheries and Game		2,604.50
Clerk's Fees		
812 Dogs at $0.25	$203.00	
595 Fishing, Hunting and Sporting Licenses at $0.25	148.75	
56 Archery Deer Stamps at $0.10	5.60	
80 Marriage Licenses	176.00	
Recording Financing Statements	580.50	
Copies of Records	137.50	
Pole Locations	118.00	
Gasoline Storage Permits, etc.	37.75	1,407.10
Total Accounted For		$5,628.85

VITAL STATISTICS

	*1963	1962	1961
Births Recorded			
Males	61	69	60
Females	63	49	65
	124	118	125

*1963 Incomplete. November and December records from Springfield not received at date of printing.

	1963	1962	1961
Marriages Recorded	77	75	49
Deaths Recorded			
Males	34	33	35
Females	29	24	28
	63	57	63

DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

Cash Disbursements

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen		
Salaries and Wages	$7,347.59	
Office supplies	306.85	
Dues and subscriptions	334.77	
Postage	125.80	
Legal Notices	52.57	
Meeting expenses	181.59	
Miscellaneous	123.69	
Recording fees	62.00	
Repairs — office equipment	20.46	
Equipment	362.30	
Out-of-State travel	66.66	$8,984.28
Accounting Department		
Salaries and Wages	$7,899.71	
Office supplies	170.78	
Meeting expenses	95.92	
Outside accounting service	35.00	
Dues	5.00	8,206.41
Town Treasurer		
Salaries and Wages	$4,638.02	
Office supplies	254.19	
Postage	130.74	
Use of car	100.00	
Authentication fee — School bonds	599.65	
Repairs — office equipment	29.25	
Miscellaneous	14.45	
Dues	6.00	
Equipment	170.47	5,942.77

Town Collector		
Salaries and Wages	$7,542.19	
Office supplies	403.29	
Postage	638.48	
Petty cash advance	61.00	
Use of car	120.00	
Meeting expenses	38.10	
Legal notices	13.26	
Recording fees	8.00	
Repairs — office equipment	36.80	
Dues	6.00	8,867.12
Assessors		
Salaries and Wages	$8,852.53	
Office supplies	238.84	
Photocopies	401.20	
Postage	78.85	
Outside services	100.00	
Meeting expenses	35.00	
Repairs — office equipment	17.70	
Dues and subscriptions	29.00	
Miscellaneous	15.80	
Equipment	570.11	10,339.03
Assessors' Revaluation Program		5,320.00
Assessors' and Planning Board Maps		2,500.00
Town Clerk		
Salaries and Wages	$3,631.20	
Office supplies	58.51	
Legal notices	81.60	
Meeting expense	64.37	
Postage	34.09	
Repairs — office equipment	15.00	
Dues	12.00	
New town seal	54.56	3,951.33
Legal		
Salary	$1,925.00	
Legal services	600.00	
Recordings	51.00	
Land Court fee	56.00	
Transcript — Power line	82.50	2,714.50
Town Meeting and Election Expense		
Salaries and Wages	$594.18	
Rental	116.00	
Office supplies	16.29	
Voting lists	151.00	
Ballots	97.75	
Miscellaneous	67.61	
Equipment	112.95	1,155.78

Registrars of Voters			
Salaries and Wages	$894.00		
Printing street lists	192.00		
Office supplies	29.27	1,115.27	
By-Laws Study Committee		1.09	
Planning Board			
Salaries and Wages	$1,265.26		
Engineering Services	500.00		
Legal notices	161.33		
Dues and subscriptions	40.00		
Postage	56.75		
Office supplies	17.93		
Miscellaneous	15.00	2,056.27	
Regional Planning Dues		590.96	
Town Offices and Buildings Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$1,194.75		
Utilities	2,941.88		
Heating fuel	365.41		
Paint town offices — exterior	577.49		
Repairs and replacements	426.25		
Janitorial supplies	297.44		
Miscellaneous	136.81	5,940.03	
Town Auditor		200.00	
Prior Year's Bill		40.37	
Total General Government			$67,925.21

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department			
Salaries and Wages	$26,001.99		
Cruiser operating expense	1,880.14		
Radio repairs	159.66		
Car allowance	1,031.64		
Clothing	329.53		
Mass. Safety Council	147.81		
Police training school	199.33		
Office supplies	249.28		
Dues and meeting expense	24.00		
Miscellaneous	179.24		
Equipment	174.00	$30,376.62	
Police cruiser		55.00	
Fire Department			
Salaries and Wages	$22,502.00		
Utilities	1,112.00		
Heating fuel	1,095.37		
Maintenance and repairs — equipment	1,088.41		
Radio maintenance	31.00		
Gasoline and oil	656.42		

Fire alarm system	160.00	
Meeting expense	75.00	
Car allowance	200.00	
Miscellaneous	360.94	
Equipment	880.00	28,161.14
Pest Control		
Salaries and Wages	$456.50	
Outside services	350.00	
Supplies	197.07	
Hired equipment	195.00	1,198.57
Dead Wood		
Salaries and Wages	$1,687.50	
Outside contractors	655.00	
Hired equipment	841.50	
Repairs — equipment	223.65	
Small tools	90.00	3,497.65
Forest Warden		
Salaries and Wages	$430.00	
Car allownace	200.00	
Equipment	192.00	822.00
Aid to Agriculture		150.00
Tree Warden		
Salaries and Wages	$1,776.75	
Hired equipment	679.50	
Outside services	170.00	
Small tools	135.95	
Repairs — equipment	151.55	
Supplies	128.71	
Meeting expenses	39.80	
Trees	408.90	3,491.16
Civil Defense		
Salaries and Wages	$758.00	
Public information and education	1,453.65	
Communications	179.55	
Supplies and equipment	116.80	
Administrative expense	103.18	2,611.18
Dog Officer		
Salary		150.00
Building Inspector		
Salary	$2,025.00	
Car allowance	600.00	
Office supplies	76.03	2,701.03
Wiring Inspector		
Salary	$690.00	
Car allowance	600.00	
Office supplies	28.20	1,318.20

Sealer of Weights and Measures			
Salary	$300.00		
Supplies	41.45	341.45	
Board of Appeals			
Salaries and Wages	$533.13		
Legal notices	87.38		
Recording fees	36.00		
Office supplies	17.87		
Postage	31.50	705.88	
Total Protection of Persons and Property			75,579.88

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health			
Salaries and Wages	$2,804.06		
Car allowance	290.00		
Power (Pumping station)	726.76		
Engineering services	361.79		
Dump rental	2,400.00		
Dump expense	3,885.59		
Hospital charges	795.00		
Drugs	336.90		
Flu Shots	51.00		
Supplies	165.36		
Disposal fees	145.00	$11,961.46	
Dental Clinic			
Salary		300.00	
Mosquito Control			
Salaries and Wages	$240.00		
Outside services	1,859.55		
Hired equipment	172.00		
Supplies	163.41	2,434.96	
Inspector of Animals			
Salary		65.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering			
Salary		50.00	
Garbage Collection			
Outside services		6,500.00	
Sewers			
Repair parts		177.44	
Total Health and Sanitation			21,488.86

HIGHWAYS

Miscellaneous Highways		
Salaries and Wages	$23,703.94	
Materials	15,465.59	
Hired equipment	6,669.25	

Engineering services	2,934.25	
Street signs	441.40	
Supplies	836.05	
Small tools	698.01	
Heating fuel	240.17	
Office equipment	271.22	$51,259.88
Road Machinery Operating Account		
Gasoline and oil	$2,524.64	
Repairs — outside contractors	1,371.97	
Repair parts	2,370.05	
Radio maintenance	302.64	
Minor equipment	361.11	6,930.41
Street Lights		
Payment to Utility		8,360.99
Special Accounts		
Chapter 81		
Salaries and Wages	$7,646.48	
Materials	13,365.19	
Hired equipment	1,405.50	
Town equipment	3,655.80	26,072.97
Chapter 90 Construction (1962)		
Salaries and Wages	$899.24	
Materials	323.20	
Town equipment	199.00	1,421.44
Chapter 90 Construction (1963)		
Salaries and Wages	$2,742.96	
Materials	4,863.06	
Hired equipment	5,951.50	
Town equipment	1,151.80	14,709.32
Chapter 90 Maintenance		
Salaries and Wages	$1,881.44	
Materials	3,882.96	
Hired equipment	1,024.50	
Town equipment	712.45	7,501.35
Pease Street		
Salaries and Wages	$319.42	
Materials	491.96	
Hired equipment	115.00	926.38
South Main Street — Resurface		
Salaries and Wages	$304.12	
Outside contractor	6,285.58	6,589.70
Main and Springfield Streets Resurface		
Salaries and Wages	$115.32	
Hired equipment	76.50	

Outside contractor	18,881.38		
Engineering services	1,247.43		
Miscellaneous	291.37	20,612.00	
Sidewalk Construction			
Salaries and Wages	$139.80		
Outside contractor	8,986.50		
Materials	287.13		
Engineering services	520.00		
Miscellaneous	4.25	9,937.68	
Power Broom		3,478.51	
Snow Plow		699.80	
Total Highways			158,500.43

CHARITIES

Department of Public Welfare			
Town Funds			
General Relief	$4,687.37		
Old Age Assistance	26,190.00		
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	5,878.08		
Disability Assistance	1,289.25	38,044.70	
Federal Grants			
Old Age Assistance — Adm.	$30.39		
Old Age Assistance — Aid	19,242.38		
Aid to Families with Dependent Children — Adm.	608.87		
Aid to Families with Dependent Children — Aid	12,301.68		
Disability Assistance — Adm.	852.05		
Disability Assistance — Aid	2,708.65		
Medical Aid for Aged — Adm.	908.69		
Medical Aid for Aged — Aid	17,426.13	54,078.84	
Total Charities			92,123.54

VETERANS' SERVICES

Veterans' Service Department			
Salaries and Wages		$560.33	
Expenses		16.70	
Aid		4,630.61	
Total Veterans' Services			5,207.64

SCHOOLS

Local			
General Control			
Expense of School Committee	$249.12		
Superintendent's Salary	10,150.00		
Business Office Expense	10,099.65	$20,498.77	

Expense of Instruction			
Supervisors' Salaries	$21,154.63		
Principals' Salaries	25,798.44		
Expense of Principalship	12,559.06		
Teachers' Salaries	397,945.47		
Textbooks	10,018.17		
Supplies	14,626.98	482,102.75	
Operation of Plant			
Custodians' Salaries	$35,118.51		
Fuel	9,321.62		
Operating supplies	17,952.30	62,392.43	
Maintenance of Plant			
Repairs and replacements		12,034.87	
Auxiliary			
Health	$6,780.68		
Transportation	60,187.50		
Miscellaneous	3,277.69	70,245.87	
Tuition		11,328.52	
Outlay			
New Equipment		2,097.80	
Out-of-state travel		21.08	
Total		$660,722.09	
Federal Funds			
Public Law 874			
Operating supplies	$396.04		
Tuition	1,166.57	$1,562.61	
Public Law 864		10.07	
Total		$1,572.68	
Special Accounts			
Building Removal		1,200.00	
School Building Plans		22,399.58	
School Project — 1963		314,733.72	
Pines School Addition		1,489.00	
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District		397,510.96	
Total Schools			1,399,628.03

LIBRARY

Town Library	
Salaries and Wages	$16,029.64
Books	3,557.19
Magazines and periodicals	458.24
Library supplies	594.87
Postage	160.95
Rebinding books	179.84
Miscellaneous supplies	116.73

Maintenance materials		469.77	
Heating fuel		851.38	
Utilities		563.53	
Equipment		622.96	
Total Library			23,605.10

RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

Parks			
Salaries and Wages	$351.30		
Outside services	30.00		
Miscellaneous supplies	80.07	$461.37	
Playgrounds			
Salaries and Wages	$2,599.51		
Transportation	1,400.00		
Recreational supplies	334.81		
Maintenance and repairs	392.03		
Waterfront equipment	125.75		
Miscellaneous	17.98	4,870.08	
Memorial and Independence Days			
Services and supplies		183.81	
Community Program			
Salaries and Wages	$4,423.90		
Utilities	674.86		
Fuel	785.18	5,883.94	
Bicentennial Celebration		21,049.61	
Total Recreation and Celebrations			32,448.81

PENSIONS

Hampden County Retirement System			
Wilbraham Assessment			11,418.00

UNCLASSIFIED

Printing Town Report		$3,584.53	
History Committee		3.23	
Industrial Development Committee		9.60	
Stabilization Fund		75,000.00	
Insurance and Bonding			
Insurance			
Buildings and contents	$951.56		
Weights and Measures	54.00		
Money and securities	200.00		
Civil Defense equipment	40.00		
Workmen's compensation	3,143.97		
Automobile liability	2,690.41		
Auto comprehensive and collision	813.41		
Ambulance contents	102.50		

Bonding			
Collectors	291.41		
Treasurer	119.37		
Town Clerk	6.75	8,413.38	
Total Unclassified			87,010.74

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE

Water Department			
Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$10,135.47		
Water	9,965.93		
Hydrant Rental	390.00		
Repair parts	1,512.71		
Operating supplies	284.67		
Equipment maintenance	613.89		
Outside services	340.00		
Office supplies	223.60		
Postage	370.31		
Power	207.00		
Fuel Oil	157.01		
Replace mains	1,922.36	$26,122.95	
Installations			
Salaries and Wages	$2,315.48		
Direct Material	6,701.18		
Outside contractors	1,776.75		
Engineering services	738.27		
Supplies	186.53	11,718.21	
Water Exploration Program			
Outside contractors	$2,692.00		
Engineering services	841.03		
Equipment rental	60.00	3,593.03	
Water Main Extension			
Salaries and Wages	$202.25		
Direct material	1,123.46		
Outside contractors	474.34		
Supplies	17.40	1,817.45	
Total Public Service Enterprise			43,251.64

CEMETERIES

Town Cemeteries			
Salaries and Wages	$912.50		
Interments	50.00		
Engineering services	235.00		
Trees and shrubs	104.50		
Supplies	150.08		
Outside contractors	52.00	$1,504.08	

Woodland Dell			
Interments		100.00	
Glendale Cemetery			
Land Purchase		2,000.00	
Total Cemeteries			3,604.08

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

Maturing Debt			
School Bonds	$95,000.00		
Water Bonds	15,000.00	$110,000.00	
Maturing Interest			
School Bonds	$16,737.50		
Water Bonds	1,425.00	18,162.50	
Interest			
Temporary Loan	$1,648.42		
Abatement of protested taxes	130.63	1,779.05	
Total Maturing Debt and Interest			129,941.55

STATE AND COUNTY CHARGES

State Audit of Accounts	$1,677.98		
State Recreation Areas	3,447.39	$5,125.37	
County Tax	$13,672.48		
County T.B. Hospital	349.30	14,021.78	
Total State and County Charges			19,147.15

REFUNDS

On Taxes			
Real Estate	$9,262.31		
Personal Property	97.35		
Poll	8.00		
Motor Vehicle Excise	3,886.23	$13,253.89	
General			
Garbage Collection	$50.75		
Water Rates	14.16		
Water Deposits	199.31	264.22	
Total Refunds			13,518.11

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

Federal Withholding Taxes	$98,126.21	
State Withholding Taxes (to State)	9,259.76	
State Withholding Taxes (to Town)	66.95	
Hampden County Retirement System	10,385.12	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	4,217.46	
Total Payroll Deductions		122,055.50

AGENCY ACCOUNTS

Dog Officer's Fees	$132.00	
Dog Licenses paid to County	1,617.25	
Bliss Fund Income	108.00	
School Lunch Program	60,900.16	
Total Agency Accounts		62,757.41

MISCELLANEOUS

Repayment tax anticipation loan	$300,000.00	
Premium on school interest	35.70	
Accrued interest on loan	11.81	
Total Miscellaneous		300,047.51
Total Disbursements Per Warrants		$2,669,259.19

Town Collector's Report

Taxes	*Outstanding Jan. 1, 1963*	*Committed*	*Refunds*	*Cash Paid Treasurer*	*Abated*	*Transfers*	*Outstanding Dec. 31, 1963*
Real Estate							
1951 through 1962		$38.95					$38.95
1961							
Personal Property	$71.00			$71.00			
Real Estate	9,868.40			9,134.72		(1) 667.04	66.64
1962							
Poll Tax	70.00			40.00	30.00		
Personal Property	3,504.05		$19.80	3,510.65	13.20		
Real Estate	54,367.35		3,968.80	42,639.36	3,968.80		11,727.99
1963							
Poll Tax		4,894.00	8.00	4,250.00	652.00		
Personal Property		48,154.91	77.55	45,414.57	849.76		1,968.13
Real Estate		1,140,782.00	5,293.51	1,075,017.83	15,980.44	(1) 1,036.35	54,040.89
Motor Vehicles Excise							
1961		49.10		49.10			49.10
1962	14,292.33	1,377.92	748.84	13,180.75	2,961.61		276.73
1963		222,547.68	3,137.39	170,813.88	16,169.35		38,701.84
Farm Animal Excise							
1963		110.48		110.48			
Water Betterments —							
Unapportioned		705.12					705.12
Street Betterments							
Unapportioned		2,516.94		1,645.46			871.48
Added to Taxes							
1961	28.08			28.08			
1962	58.00			28.00			30.00
1963		305.00		262.00			43.00

TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT (Continued)

Taxes	*Outstanding Jan. 1, 1963*	*Committed*	*Refunds*	*Cash Paid Treasurer*	*Abated*	*Transfers*	*Outstanding Dec. 31, 1963*
Committed Interest							
1961	8.47			8.47			
1962	20.60			10.00			10.60
1963		118.93		104.05			14.88
Ambulance Service		1,010.00		415.00	195.00		400.00
Departmental Accounts Receivable							
Selectmen's Licenses	145.25	7,013.83		6,998.33	2.50		158.25
Garbage Collections	8.00	8,587.25	50.75	7,621.75	1,024.25		
General Relief — Welfare	137.46	1,305.20		1,263.85	178.81		
Disability Assistance		593.02		593.02			
Aid to Dep. Child.	1,375.89	5,627.48		4,899.33			2,104.04
Medical Aid for Aged		11,063.35		11,063.35			
Veterans' Services	829.38	1,829.59		1,205.03			1,453.94
Old Age Assistance	132.01	7,708.27		7,556.37			283.91
Water Department							
Rates	3,064.26	73,844.02	14.16	73,611.70	98.12		3,212.62
Miscellaneous	545.12	14,717.70		2,390.38		(2) 10,938.36	1,934.08
	$88,525.65	$1,554,900.74	$13,318.80	$1,483,936.51	$42,123.84	$12,641.75	$118,043.09

Items collected but not committed:	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	$1,992.55
Costs on Delinquent Taxes	984.05
Municipal Liens and Discharges	175.00
Apportioned Assessments Paid in Advance	75.00
CASH PAID TREASURER	$1,487,163.11

(1) To Tax Titles
(2) From Water Deposits

MARK E. REYNOLDS, *Town Collector*

Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures and Balances — 1963

	Dec. 31, 1962 Balances Forward	Appropriations	From Reserve Fund	Refunds Transfers Loan	Total Available	Expended	Unexpended Balances Dec. 31, 1963
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Selectmen		$10,182.00			$10,182.00	$8,917.62	$1,264.38
Out-of-State Travel		50.00	$16.66		66.66	66.66	
Accounting Department		8,549.00			8,549.00	8,206.41	342.59
Town Treasurer		5,704.00	250.00		5,954.00	5,942.77	11.23
Town Collector		8,765.00	90.00	$61.00	8,916.00	8,867.12	48.88
Assessors		11,746.00			11,746.00	10,339.03	1,406.97
Assessors' and Planning Board Maps		2,500.00			2,500.00	2,500.00	
Assessors' Revaluation Program		5,320.00			5,320.00	5,320.00	
Town Clerk		3,882.00	135.60	.56	4,018.16	3,951.33	66.83
Legal Department		3,550.00			3,550.00	2,714.50	835.50
By-Laws Study Committee		100.00			100.00	1.09	98.91
Elections and Town Meeting Exp.		1,156.00			1,156.00	1,155.78	.22
Registrars of Voters		1,450.00			1,450.00	1,115.27	334.73
Planning Board		1,360.00	796.27		2,156.27	2,056.27	100.00
Regional Planning Dues		600.00			600.00	590.96	9.04
Planning Board Master Plan	$2,000.00				2,000.00		2,000.00
Town Office & Bldg. Maint.		6,590.00			6,590.00	5,940.03	649.97
Town Auditor		200.00			200.00	200.00	
Prior Year's Bill				40.37	40.37	40.37	
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY							
Police Department	65.00	31,744.00		5.00	31,814.00	30,376.62	1,437.38
Police Cruiser	108.30				108.30	55.00	53.30
Fire Department		29,885.00			29,885.00	28,161.14	1,723.86
Pest Control		1,200.00			1,200.00	1,198.57	1.43
Dead Wood		3,500.00			3,500.00	3,497.65	2.35
Forest Warden		900.00			900.00	822.00	78.00
Aid to Agriculture		150.00			150.00	150.00	
Tree Warden		3,500.00			3,500.00	3,491.16	8.84
Civil Defense		2,302.00	350.00		2,652.00	2,611.18	40.82

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES — 1963 (Continued)

	Dec. 31, 1962 Balances Forward	Appropriations	From Reserve Fund	Refunds Transfers Loan	Total Available	Expended	Unexpended Balances Dec. 31, 1963
Dog Officer		150.00			150.00	150.00	
Building Inspector		2,675.00	35.00		2,710.00	2,701.03	8.97
Wiring Inspector		1,340.00			1,340.00	1,318.20	21.80
Sealer of Weights and Measures		325.00	16.45		341.45	341.45	
Board of Appeals		670.00	55.00		725.00	705.88	19.12
HEALTH AND SANITATION							
Board of Health		8,300.00	3,661.46		11,961.46	11,961.46	
Dental Clinic		300.00			300.00	300.00	
Mosquito Control		2,600.00			2,600.00	2,434.96	165.04
Inspector of Animals		65.00			65.00	65.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering		50.00			50.00	50.00	
Garbage Collection		6,500.00			6,500.00	6,500.00	
Sewers	404.95				404.95	177.44	227.51
HIGHWAYS							
Highway Department		53,537.00		3.15	53,540.15	51,259.88	2,280.27
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.		7,500.00			7,500.00	6,930.41	569.59
Street Lights		9,000.00			9,000.00	8,360.99	639.01
Chapter 81		26,000.00		73.80	26,073.80	26,072.97	.83
Chapter 90 Maintenance		7,502.00			7,502.00	7,501.35	.65
Chapter 90 Const. — 1962	1,422.56				1,422.56	1,421.44	1.12
Chapter 90 Const. — 1963		26,002.00			26,002.00	14,709.32	11,292.68
Pease Street Construction		1,128.00			1,128.00	926.38	201.62
Resurface South Main Street		6,600.00			6,600.00	6,589.70	10.30
Sidewalk Construction		9,724.00	213.68		9,937.68	9,937.68	
Resurface Main and Springfield Streets	27,058.00				27,058.00	20,612.00	6,446.01
Snow Plow		725.00			725.00	699.80	25.20
Power Broom		3,500.00			3,500.00	3,478.51	21.49
CHARITIES							
Department of Public Welfare							

General Relief		7,000.00		83.50	7,083.50	4,687.37	2,396.13
Old Age Assistance		25,000.00	3,750.00	124.80	28,874.80	26,190.00	2,684.80
Aid to Families with Dep. Children		7,000.00		244.75	7,244.75	5,878.08	1,366.67
Disability Assistance		2,000.00			2,000.00	1,289.25	710.75
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS							
Veterans' Service Department		4,970.00		730.48	5,700.48	5,207.64	492.84
SCHOOLS							
Local							
Regular Operating		661,000.00		47.23	661,047.23	660,701.01	346.22
Out-of-State Travel		80.00			80.00	21.08	58.92
Building Removal	1,200.00				1,200.00	1,200.00	
School Building Plans	23,000.00				23,000.00	22,399.58	600.42
School Project — 1963		244,480.49		280,523.51	525,004.00	314,733.72	210,270.28
Pines School Addition	1,997.04				1,997.04	1,489.00	508.04
Memorial School Addition	*10,523.51						
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional		397,510.96			397,510.96	397,510.96	
LIBRARY							
Town Library		23,926.00			23,926.00	23,605.10	320.90
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS							
Parks		600.00			600.00	461.37	138.63
Playgrounds		5,380.00			5,380.00	4,870.08	509.92
Community Program		6,000.00			6,000.00	5,883.94	116.06
Memorial and Independence Days		250.00			250.00	183.81	66.19
Spec Pond	11,464.40				11,464.40		11,464.40
Bicentennial Celebration	4,985.81	14,350.00	1,300.00	492.08	21,127.89	21,049.61	78.28
PENSIONS							
Hampden County Retirement System		11,418.00			11,418.00	11,418.00	
UNCLASSIFIED							
Printing Town Reports		3,100.00	484.53		3,584.53	3,584.53	
Insurance and Bonding		8,700.00			8,700.00	8,413.38	286.62
Industrial Development		100.00			100.00	9.60	90.40
Stabilization Fund		75,000.00			75,000.00	75,000.00	
Reserve Fund		20,000.00			20,000.00	†15,459.65	4,540.35

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES — 1963 (Continued)

	Dec. 31, 1962 Balances Forward	Appropriations	From Reserve Fund	Refunds Transfers Loan	Total Available	Expended	Unexpended Balances Dec. 31, 1963
History Committee	6,602.25	3,300.00			9,902.25	3.23	9,899.02
Removal of Buildings	500.00				500.00		500.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE							
Water Department							
Maintenance		29,015.00			29,015.00	26,122.95	2,892.05
Installations		8,280.00	4,305.00		12,585.00	11,718.21	866.79
Water Mains	689.65				689.65		689.65
Water Exploration Prog.	4,660.49				4,660.49	3,593.03	1,067.46
Water Main Extension		1,859.00			1,859.00	1,817.45	41.55
CEMETERIES							
Operation		1,900.00			1,900.00	1,604.08	295.92
Land Purchase		2,000.00			2,000.00	2,000.00	
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST							
Maturing Debt							
School Bonds		95,000.00			95,000.00	95,000.00	
Water Bonds		15,000.00			15,000.00	15,000.00	
Maturing Interest							
School Bonds		16,737.50			16,737.50	16,737.50	
Water Bonds		1,425.00			1,425.00	1,425.00	
Temporary Loan Interest		1,800.00			1,800.00	1,779.05	20.95
	96,681.96					‡2,096,081.99	
	− 10,523.51					+ 15,459.65	
	$86,158.45	$2,013,259.95	$15,459.65	$282,430.23	$2,397,308.28	$2,111,541.64	¶$285,766.64

* Transferred to School Project 1963
† Transferred to Appropriations
‡ Appropriation Expenditures

¶ Disposition of unexpended balances

Appropriations carried forward	$242,922.75
To Surplus	38,256.85
To Road Machinery Fund	46.69
To Overlay Surplus	4,540.35
	$285,766.64

Non-Appropriation Expenditures — 1963

Federal Grants:		
Department of Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	$30.39	
Aid	19,242.38	
Aid to Families with Dependent Children:		
Administration	608.87	
Aid	12,301.68	
Disability Assistance:		
Administration	852.05	
Aid	2,708.65	
Medical Aid for Aged:		
Administration	908.69	
Aid	17,426.13	$54,078.84
School Department:		
Public Law 874	$1,562.61	
Public Law 864	10.07	1,572.68
State and County Charges:		
State Audit of Accounts	$1,677.98	
State Recreation Areas	3,447.39	
County Tax	13,672.48	
County T.B. Hospital	349.30	19,147.15
Refunds:		
On Taxes:		
Real Estate	$9,262.31	
Personal Property	97.35	
Poll	8.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise	3,886.23	13,253.89
General:		
Garbage Collection	$50.75	
Water Rates	14.16	
Water Deposits	199.31	264.22
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Withholding Taxes	$98,126.21	
State Withholding Taxes (to State)	9,259.76	
State Withholding Taxes (to Town)	66.95	
Hampden County Retirement System	10,385.12	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	4,217.46	122,055.50
Agency Accounts:		
Dog Officer's Fees	$132.00	
Dog Licenses Paid County	1,617.25	
Bliss Fund Income — to savings account	108.00	
School Lunch Program	60,900.16	62,757.41

Miscellaneous:		
Repayment of Tax Anticipation Loan	$300,000.00	
Premium on school loan	35.70	
Accrued interest on loan	11.81	300,047.51
Non-appropriation Expenditures		$573,177.20
Appropriation Expenditures		2,096,081.99
Total Expenditures per Warrants		$2,669,259.19

Recapitulation of Estimated Receipts — 1963

	Assessors' Estimate	*Received*	*Excess (Deficiency)*
Income Tax	$127,150.73	$123,935.89	$(3,214.84)
Corporation Tax	29,313.82	30,271.15	957.33
Publicly Owned Land	1,416.40	1,783.40	367.00
Meals Tax	1,470.31	1,706.74	236.43
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	191,000.00	180,157.50	(10,842.50)
Licenses	9,000.00	7,068.83	(1,931.17)
Fines	1,000.00	1,334.75	334.75
Special Assessments	300.00	2,038.54	1,738.54
General Government	3,000.00	2,696.60	(303.40)
Protection of Persons and Property	4,700.00	6,591.60	1,891.60
Health and Sanitation	5,800.00	8,296.00	2,496.00
Charities	4,100.00	17,819.55	13,719.55
Old Age Assistance	17,000.00	9,096.36	(7,903.64)
Veterans' Services	2,300.00	1,205.03	(1,094.97)
Schools	50,800.00	52,985.25	2,185.25
Library	1,500.00	804.98	(695.02)
Water	80,000.00	86,927.28	6,927.28
Interest	4,500.00	4,502.97	2.97
State Ass't. Chap. 645	74,638.29	74,638.29	
Farm Animal Excise	130.00	110.48	(19.52)
Costs on Taxes		984.05	984.05
Municipal Liens		175.00	175.00
State Tax Compensation		66.95	66.95
Bicentennial Celebration		17,569.40	17,569.40
Miscellaneous Refunds		53.20	53.20
Total	$609,119.55	$632,819.79	$23,700.24

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Town Services — Telephone Directory

LOCAL EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire Department

TO REPORT A FIRE OR AN EMERGENCY 6-3111

Station — Boston Road — Fire Permits 6-3122

Chief Tupper 6-3014

Police

Local Police 6-3837

If no answer call:
STATE POLICE 283-5671

Chief Leary 6-3376

Civil Defense **.. ..... 6-3838**

Department	*Call*	*Telephone*
Assessors	Assessors	6-3816
Birth, Death, Marriage Certificates	Town Clerk	6-3816
Board of Health	Selectmen	6-3816
Building Permits	Town Clerk	6-3816
	Inspector	6-4885
Charities and Relief	Welfare Department	525-2750
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	6-3816
Dog Roaming	Dog Officer	6-3624
Fishing & Hunting Licenses	Town Clerk	6-3816
Forest Warden	Fire Chief	6-3122
Highways	Superintendent	6-3060
Library	Librarian	6-4461
Planning Board	Secretary	6-3816
Rubbish, Garbage Disposal	Selectmen	6-3816
Schools	Minnechaug	6-6161
Schools	Pines	6-4974
Schools	Memorial	6-3465
Schools	Stony Hill	6-4974
School Nurse	Memorial	6-3465
Selective Service System	Local Board No. 84	283-8836
Supt. of Schools	Minnechaug	6-4266
Taxes	Town Collector	6-3816
Town Treasurer	Treasurer	6-3816
Trees	Tree Warden	6-4675
Veterans' Services	Veterans' Agent	525-3305
Visiting Nurse	Visiting Nurse Assoc. Springfield	732-4145
Water Department	Superintendent	6-3816
		6-3060
	Sundays and Holidays	6-3413

WILBRAHAM

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Photos by Nadolski and Bogue

TOP: Learning water safety at Spec Pond under the Wilbraham Community Playground Summer Program. BOTTOM: Some of the youngsters from New York City who spent two weeks in Wilbraham last summer under the auspices of the Herald Tribune Fresh Air Fund shown with their hosts.

ANNUAL REPORT

WILBRAHAM

MASSACHUSETTS

1964

Suburban Life in the First Year of Our Third Century

Our children, our schools, our churches, our recreation, and our concern for the problems of people outside our immediate community show the heart and spirit of life in our town apart from and beyond the formal proceedings of government.

COVER: The actual scene on the Town Seal, showing Rich Hall and the Academy Headmaster's House from Main Street. (Photo by Safford) ABOVE: Old Academy, built in 1824, the oldest building on the Wilbraham Academy campus. (Sketch by Stevens)

Facts About Wilbraham

Settled:	1731
Incorporated:	1763
Location:	Eight miles east of Springfield
Population:	Approximately 8,700
Form of Government:	Town Meeting
Tax Rate:	$24.50
Number of Dwellings:	2,574
Property Valuation:	$51,989,740.00
Town Offices:	North Main Street — Telephone 596-3816
Public Schools:	Pines, Stony Hill, Memorial, Mile Tree, Minnechaug Regional High
Private Schools:	Wilbraham Academy
Fire Protection:	Stations at Wilbraham and North Wilbraham. Telephone 596-3111 *for reporting fire only;* telephone 596-3122 for all other calls
Police:	Station at Town Office Telephone 596-3837 — if no answer, call STATE POLICE 283-5671 Chief John S. Leary 596-3376
Recreational Facilities:	Three playgrounds, swimming beach
Town Highways:	Approximately 67 miles
Public Library:	Boston Road — North Wilbraham Telephone 596-4461 Library hours: Weekdays, 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Saturdays during July and August
Churches:	Five—Wilbraham United Church, Grace Union Church (Congregational — No. Wilbraham), Glendale (Methodist), Church of the Epiphany (Episcopal), St. Cecilia's (Roman Catholic)
Highest Altitude:	937 feet — Mount Chapin

Selectmen's Report

Once again Wilbraham has experienced a very progressive year. Many new homes have been built by private contractors. Our own school facilities have been expanded by the completion and occupancy of the Mile Tree School, built on the former Heiden property off South Main Street. We are completing additional rooms to the Regional High School, to be occupied in the fall of 1965. These are all signs of growth and progress.

Our continued efforts to conserve the tax dollar have resulted in the construction of approximately 17,000 feet of sidewalks. This permits youngsters to walk to the various schools, thus eliminating the hiring of busses for pupil transportation. The cost of construction was approximately $85,000, but this will be recovered by the town within the next five years, or sooner with our increasing population. Your Selectmen spent as much time this past year on the sidewalk problems alone as on all other town business combined. We certainly appreciate the full cooperation given us by about 95% of the abutters. We must have your continued and complete cooperation to keep our roads and walks in proper condition for the safety of the general public.

Each time a major project is undertaken, it seems that unforeseen difficulties arise. As a result of the new sidewalk construction, we now have a serious surface water problem in some areas. Because the sidewalks were constructed above the road level, water that normally drained into fields can no longer do so. This prompted the construction of many dry wells and catch basins.

Several new businesses have been established within the Town, by renting existing buildings and by new construction, especially in the Boston Road area. Wilbraham Manufacturing Company has built a large structure where approximately seventy people are now employed, with the possible addition of thirty or forty more in the near future. The Elm Oil and Asphalt Corporation has moved their facilities to Wilbraham. The Utility Manufacturing Company has completed new office space for their company. The Friendly Ice Cream Corporation is now in the process of expanding its manufacturing facilities. Several small companies have located in the Wilbraham Industrial Park Area (Collin's Mill). We wish them all success.

Our Highway Department, under the supervision of its Superintendent, Mr. Butler, has had a very active year. Another

stretch of Dipping Hole Road (under the Chapter 90 construction program) has been completed. And by next summer we expect to have the entire stretch from the Springfield line to Stony Hill Road finished. Resurfacing was done on Stony Hill Road, from Boston Road to the Springfield line. A stretch farther south, near Glenn Drive, was also done. In order to improve the visibility for motorists entering Main Street from Soule Road, the surface of Main Street was lowered two feet for some distance north of this intersection.

Our Police and Fire Departments have also had a very busy year. You will find their reports very interesting and enlightening. In order to carry out the kind of protective service you want, the Police Department will need the addition of two new men this next year. We congratulate our fine chiefs and their department members for the splendid way they have conducted themselves in the performance of their duties.

The Spec Pond title and land damage suit which has been pending in the District Courts for some time has been settled through the efforts of our Town Counsel, Attorney W. Edwin Watkins, and Attorney Frederick S. Pillsbury.

For the past several years the Selectmen have been working to resolve the problem of the erection of power transmission lines by the Western Massachusetts Electric Company. The Department of Public Utilities, although sympathizing with the town, has continued to give the utility company the necessary decisions. Because of this and the ability of the company to acquire four-fifths of the right of way from the landowners, the Selectmen and Power Transmission Line Committee feel that further opposition will serve no practical purpose. Although unsuccessful in relocating the route, the location was shifted slightly in various places to lessen the damage to existing properties. Several other gains were also made and are outlined in the Committee's report. In closing this issue, we note that the final outcome was ordained by the action and decisions of officials in adjoining towns and in the State Government.

The problem of modernizing and improving the lighting of heavily traveled streets and of street intersections was continued. The remaining incandescent lights on North Main Street and portions of Boston Road have been replaced by mercury vapor lamps. The new units were also installed at fourteen street intersections in various parts of town. The mercury vapor lamps provide a

higher level of illumination in these critical areas. In the budget for 1965, provision has been made for further up-grading of existing street lights and installations of lights in several residential problem areas.

We are pleased at last to report to you that our Town History book is ready for your bookshelf. It is both attractive in appearance and interesting to read. We wish to extend to the History Committee our sincere appreciation for their untiring efforts in this endeavor.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the members of the several committees appointed by the Selectmen for the many hours of work spent in their efforts to accomplish the goals set forth in the charges given. Some of these reports are printed in the Town Report under School Survey Committee, Sewage Disposal Committee, etc. This survey work means a great deal to the town.

The Board of Health's chief problems, again in 1964, were related to drainage — both sanitary and storm water. No doubt these will continue to present problems for years to come. Strict enforcement of the Commonwealth's "Sanitary Code, Article XI" is the best assurance that home owners and builders are observing the safest practices for the subsurface disposal of sewage. With approximately half of our homes without public po-

Photo by Nadolski

The gold-headed cane, symbol of the town's oldest resident, was presented to George Armstrong, 93, of 347 Springfield Street by the then-chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Roger T. Hintze, while Jesse L. Rice and Sidney Low look on.

table water supply, the Board of Health feels there can be no compromise in this matter.

The disposal of storm water, either by percolation through the ground, or by runoff to established watercourses is a problem requiring continuing attention and practices that will protect all our citizens' interests as Wilbraham continues its growth. In May, 1964, the Board of Health adopted strict engineering regulations governing drainage practices in developments.

The Commonwealth's Department of Health's demands that Wilbraham stop dumping raw sewage into the Chicopee River presents a multi-faceted problem. Springfield now refuses to accept sewage from West Wilbraham for treatment in its Bircham Bend plant since this plant is overloaded and badly in need of reconstruction. This fact, coupled with the need to eliminate the raw sewage outfall into the Chicopee River in North Wilbraham, makes it mandatory for Wilbraham to build a sewage treatment plant (or plants) meeting the Commonwealth's requirements. The State Line Potato Chip Company also has a waste problem that apparently indicates that Wilbraham's best solution to its immediate sewage problems is a plant capable of treating both domestic and industrial wastes. The continuing expansion of industry along Boston Road and in the Wilbraham Industrial Park magnifies the problem. A long-range approach must be taken if we are to spend our dollars in the most prudent fashion.

Routine inspection of food handling establishments and the investigation of numerous health complaints were ably carried on by our Sanitarian, John A. Brickett. A Plumbing Code Committee, Norman Ellis, Frederick J. Macaulay, Anthony G. Mascaro, and Harold Swetland, formulated "Rules and Regulations Relative to the Construction, Alteration, Repair, and Inspection of Plumbing" which was adopted by the Board of Health in May, 1964. A regulation requiring the fencing of swimming pools was adopted in September, 1964.

The Board of Health cooperated with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Hampden District Medical Society, under the Massachusetts Vaccination Assistance Program, in sponsoring the "Polio Clinics."

The Wilbraham town dump was again run as a modified sanitary land fill in 1964. A dumpmaster was in attendance at all hours when the dump was open. Rodent control was practiced.

Of the 23 cities and towns surveyed in 1964 in the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning District, only 5 practiced sanitary land fill or incineration. By means of maximum use of the town's heavy highway equipment and a favorable lease rate, the cost of operating the dump was approximately $10,000 or $1.20 per year per capita — approximately $5,000 less than the total cost in 1963.

Our historic oak, called the "Mile Tree" had to be removed from the Tinkham Road - Main Street intersection because of breakage caused by the winds and weather of many years. We certainly hated to see this landmark disappear. Your Selectmen plan to set another oak tree in 1965 on the common adjacent to the Mile Oak Tree site.

In conclusion, your Selectmen wish to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the town who has contributed either in a large way or small, toward making Wilbraham one of the best towns in the Commonwealth.

Jesse L. Rice, *Chairman*
Sidney Low
Edward Godfrey

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The addition to the Friendly Ice Cream Corp. plant under construction.

Report of the Wilbraham School Committee

The year 1964 will be recorded as a year of growth, of change, and of difficulties for the Wilbraham Public Schools. The opening of Mile Tree School in September added twelve additional classrooms to the system, and the expanding pupil population utilized all but three of the seventy-two available elementary-junior high school rooms. Three additional rooms can be placed in use in an emergency by re-opening the Springfield Street School.

The work of your School Committee can be divided into educational efforts and business operations as the record of the past year is examined.

In the area of educational improvement — the major responsibility and concern of your School Committee — we report, with enthusiasm, the encouraging progress that is being made.

In the teaching of conversational French, despite the pupil population increases that displaced a majority of sixth grade pupils from the Memorial School, the program has been strengthened. The Language Laboratory at Memorial School has been up-dated and re-equipped so that students are now able to listen, respond, and compare their pronunciation with the original tape. This equipment was partially financed by a federal grant. The sixth grades in each of the schools are furnished with records and tapes and the classes are visited regularly by a special teacher.

The School Library service has been expanded as the number of pupils and facilities have increased. Your committee believes that a school library — well equipped and supervised — is a basic requirement in a good educational program. Training in the use of reference books, knowledge in locating desired material, and the enjoyment in exploring new areas of knowledge, are all available when a school library is properly maintained. Using the library at Memorial School as a base, all of the schools contain branch libraries that are open to the pupils on a regular schedule. Starting in 1952 and operating from a closet in the gymnasium, Mrs. Marguerite G. Brady has organized one of the most effective and productive school libraries in this area.

In addition to requiring members of the staff to return to colleges for refresher courses on a regular basis, a continuing series of in-service courses are held in the schools.

In the introduction of modern mathematics, two workshops

and a ten-week series of classes were organized. A University Extension program enrolled thirty-four members of the Wilbraham staff with the individuals paying tuition.

Similar workshops and courses have been held in Art, Reading, Speech Therapy, Testing, and Guidance. The committee is most pleased to report that the professional improvement program is largely staff-sponsored and staff-motivated.

Because of the growth of the system, a contract was signed to provide supervision of the handwriting program. It is no longer possible for the one qualified instructor in this system to meet with all the grades.

In 1963, the committee devoted a substantial part of the report to an analysis of the preparational background and experience level of the school staff. This year, we ask you to examine the pages of this report where the staff is listed.

The Wilbraham Committee, in joint action with the Regional District Committee, has adjusted the teacher salary schedule minimum to $5,000.00 to conform with the state law. The $200.00 increase was applied to all steps on the schedule to maintain the existing training and experience differential between individuals now employed here. The increment between steps six and seven was increased from $200.00 to $300.00 in recognition of the importance of retaining experienced personnel on the staff.

Transportation of pupils to school is a major annual budget expenditure and one that does not contribute to the educational effort. The state law provides that pupils may be required to walk two miles to school or one mile to the nearest bus stop. Expenditures for transporting once daily to and from school when a pupil lives more than one and one-half miles from the school attended are substantially reimbursed by the state. Transportation of those living within one and one-half miles of the school attended is at the Town's expense. It is the intent of this School Committee to reduce transportation costs to the Town by recommending the construction of sidewalks wherever the number of pupils involved indicates a long-term saving to the Town.

In 1964, sidewalks were recommended for Stony Hill Road, Tinkham Road, and South Main Street. A request for an article in the 1965 Town Meeting to consider the construction of a sidewalk on Springfield Street between Stony Hill Road and the

City Line has been submitted to the Selectmen. With an estimated saving of $3,500.00 per year in transportation costs, this proposed sidewalk appears to be a sound community investment.

In 1964, 192,600 hot lunches were served to pupils in the school cafeterias. This program, started in September 1950, continues to operate on a self-supporting basis. Pupils pay twenty-five cents per day for a lunch, complete with milk and dessert. The state and federal governments support the program with a cash reimbursement of nine cents per meal served plus distributions of surplus commodities.

As the volume of school business has continued to increase, sound purchasing procedures have required a continued review of the buying of supplies and materials. The School Committee now issues specifications and bid requests on all instructional and office supplies, transportation, dairy products, bakery products, fuel, custodial and maintenance supplies. By combining the needs of the Hampden, Wilbraham and District School Systems into a single bid request, substantial savings have been realized.

In the fall of 1964, following a detailed study and discussion, the committee voted to authorize a school savings program on a trial basis. In the first month of operation, 1026 accounts were opened, 3252 deposits were handled, and $3,905.91 was deposited.

This school savings program, as approved by the School Committee, is entirely operated by the bank personnel. Teachers do not handle the money or utilize instructional time for this project.

The school program experienced a series of difficult losses as a result of deaths and retirements of key members of the policy-making and staff groups.

Mr. Bruce Stephens, elected to the School Committee in 1962, died in June following a short illness. In his term of office, Mr. Stephens demonstrated a major interest in quality education and a sincere determination to achieve efficient operational methods. Despite his limited term of service, he made a lasting impression on the Wilbraham schools.

Mrs. Ethel Musselman declined nomination for re-election at the March election. First appointed in 1956 to fill out the term of Mrs. Louise Schatz, Mrs. Musselman was elected three times to the Wilbraham School Committee. While a member of the school committee, Mrs. Musselman served as a member of the Regional School District Committee during the years when Minnechaug High School was planned and opened, as a member

of the Pines School Survey Committee and Building Committee, and as a member of the Mile Tree School Survey Committee and Building Committee. Her attention to detail, her careful consideration of all facets of a problem, and her basic sense of fairness made her a valuable member of the Wilbraham School Committee.

In January, Mrs. Mary E. Johnston, a first grade teacher at The Pines School, died suddenly. Appointed in Wilbraham in 1950, Mrs. Johnston had an unexcelled record of successful teaching. Her ability to teach pupils to read and to instill a feeling of genuine accomplishment combined with her cheerfulness and enthusiasm for her work, makes her loss a major one.

Mrs. Emily G. Bready, Head Cook at The Pines School and Operating Manager of the hot lunch program in that building, died suddenly in December. Appointed in 1960, Mrs. Bready combined an efficient and well-organized lunch program with a sincere concern for the well-being of the pupils. She will be greatly missed.

In June, upon the completion of forty-one years of dedicated teaching in the Wilbraham Public Schools, Miss Marion Holland retired. Throughout her years of service here, covering the depression years of the thirties, World War II, and the post-war years of major community growth in Wilbraham, Miss Holland continued her effective teaching in the elementary grades and watched, with pride, the achievements of her pupils. In the last years of her teaching, grandchildren of her first pupils were members of her classes. The committee wishes her many happy years in her well-earned retirement.

Mrs. Clara B. Merrill, a first grade teacher, retired in June. Appointed in Wilbraham in 1944, Mrs. Merrill leaves a record of devoted and faithful attention to the education of our youth. In her continued search for improved methods of teaching, she inspired her associates to examine and improve their work. The committee wishes her happiness and good health in her well-merited retirement.

Your committee calls your attention to the school statistical section of this report. The enrollment table, census report, and five-year comparison table emphasizes the almost unbelievable continued growth of this community and the impact on the school system.

Between October 1, 1963, and October 1, 1964, one hundred

sixty-four pupils were added to the grades one through eight enrollment.

A continuation of this sizeable increase, combined with the large number entering first grades, as indicated by the census report, means that the community is faced with the need for six or seven additional classrooms annually for the foreseeable future.

The 1964 School Survey Committee, named by the Selectmen at the request of the School Committee early this year, has made — in its detailed study — a major contribution toward a solution of the problem of our needs for additional facilities. The School Committee endorses, enthusiastically, the recommendations of the Survey Committee. The development of a long-range projection of student population and a carefully matched organization of needs and proposed facilities is a desirable blueprint for orderly growth and reasonable planning. The dual problem of providing necessary educational facilities for the junior high pupils and the required space for the elementary pupils can be most economically solved by the construction of a new junior high school and the conversion of Memorial School to an elementary building.

Having experienced the educational and operational benefits that have occurred as a result of regionalization at Minnechaug High School, this committee recommends that grades seven and eight be added to the existing Region. In addition to a substantial increase in the amount of state aid in building and equipping the school, it is more efficient — on a per-pupil basis — to build a larger unit. Educationally, the larger enrollment makes possible greater specialization of instruction and the recruitment and retention of the most qualified teachers.

In support of this committee's recommendation to regionalize grades seven and eight, your attention is called to the record of Minnechaug graduates as it appears in the District Report. These graduates, in a majority of cases, were products of the Wilbraham School System. They were well grounded in basic skills and attitudes when they entered Minnechaug. The record shows they have made excellent progress in high school.

If we are going to continue to adequately prepare and educate the ever-increasing number of youths of Wilbraham, the most efficient utilization of personnel and facilities must be developed. Regionalization is a means of getting greater return on the educational expenditure.

The School Committee commends the school staff for the excellent educational program, efficient business operation, and careful maintenance of facilities. Despite the continued growth in the system, the changing demands for educational achievement, and the difficulties that developed this year, the School Committee is recorded as approving the results achieved.

The continued support of the citizens and the elected and appointed officials of Wilbraham is necessary in the years ahead if this committee is to continue to provide a good educational program.

ALEXANDER W. MARCO, *Chairman*
HARRY J. DABAGIAN
RICHARD R. HARTMAN
DAVID L. STONE
CLAYTON L. THOMAS, M.D.

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The entrance to Minnechaug Regional High School.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Enrollment

The enrollment of pupils by grade as of October 1, 1964 is shown below:

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Spec.	Total
Stony Hill	95	82	88	89	110	57				521
Mile Tree	43	52	48	48	53					244
The Pines	97	67	96	82	84	77				503
Memorial						85	204	193	14	496
	235	201	232	219	247	219	204	193	14	1764

Census Report and Comparison October 1, 1964

Year Born	Year to Enter School	Census 1964	1963	1962	1961	1960
1958	1964	222	210	189	185	162
1959	1965	200	181	162	145	127
1960	1966	222	209	181	152	112*
1961	1967	197	159	138	89*	
1962	1968	162	128	79*		
1963	1969	167	99*			
1964	1970	89*				

* 9/12 of year recorded

Children in School and Their Distribution October 1, 1964

	5-7 Years	7-16 Years	Total
Boys	245	1002	1247
Girls	207	981	1188
Total	452	1983	2435
Distribution			
In Public Schools	267	1806	2073
In Vocational School	—	4	4
In Private Schools	18	166	184
Not enrolled in any school	167	7	174
	452	1983	2435
Total as of October 1, 1963	553	1737	2290

Number of Pupils in Elementary Schools by Grades
Five Year Period 1959-1964

As of October of each year

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Spec.	Total
1959	172	162	140	123	143	133	170	101	*	23	1167
1960	186	185	167	151	129	136	148	157	*	23	1282
1961	186	187	184	175	156	141	149	138	*	17	1333
1962	190	193	198	196	178	165	146	147	*	16	1429
1963	186	212	210	220	216	195	190	152	*	19	1600
1964	235	201	232	219	247	219	204	193	*	14	1764

* Grade 9 now at Minnechaug High School

CREDITS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH

1965 BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS

Account	1964 Estimate	1964 Actual	1965 Estimate
Chapter 71, Section 7A (Transportation)	$42,000.00	$42,440.80	$42,400.00
Chapter 70, Section 3	90,571.00	90,571.93	101,800.00
Vocational	5,000.00	7,403.26	5,500.00
State Wards	600.00	1,702.47	1,300.00
School Adjustment Counsellor	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
Special Class	7,500.00	10,203.18	9,000.00
Chapter 70, Section 3B (Regional Membership)	13,585.00	13,585.79	15,270.00
Total	$162,856.00	$169,507.43	$178,870.00
Operating Budgets	784,423.00	751,291.66	876,867.00
Less: Credits	162,856.00	169,507.43	178,870.00
Net Cost to Wilbraham	$621,567.00	$581,784.23	$697,997.00

1964 BUDGET

	Salaries	Others	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1964 Appropriation	$595,128.00	$157,215.00	$80.00	$752,423.00
1964 P. L. 874	16,000.00	16,000.00		32,000.00
1964 Budget	$611,128.00	$173,215.00	$80.00	$784,423.00
Community Program	$ 4,500.00	$ 1,980.00		$ 6,480.00

1964 EXPENDITURES

	Salaries	Others	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1964 Appropriation	$588,541.26	$162,696.29	$54.11	$751,291.66
1964 P. L. 874				
Total Expenditures	$588,541.26	$162,696.29	$54.11	$751,291.66
Community Program	$ 4,577.85	$ 1,337.25		$ 5,915.10

1965 BUDGET

	Salaries	Others	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1965 Appropriation	$662,092.00	$166,695.00	$80.00	$828,867.00
1965 P. L. 874	$ 24,000.00	$ 24,000.00		$ 48,000.00
1965 Budget	$686,092.00	$190,695.00	$80.00	$876,867.00
Community Program	$ 4,500.00	$ 1,980.00		$ 6,480.00

1964 SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS

Account	1964 Budget	1964 Expenditures		1964 Balance	1965 Budget
Expense of School Committee	$300.00	$261.75	+	$38.25	$390.00
Superintendent's Salary	10,600.00	10,600.00		.00	11,100.00
Business Office Expense	10,973.00	10,271.94	+	701.06	10,955.00
Out-of-State Travel	80.00	54.11	+	25.89	80.00
Supervisors' Salaries	24,345.00	24,027.08	+	317.92	23,596.00
Principals' Salaries	34,204.00	34,151.28	+	52.72	46,515.00
Principals' Office	14,972.00	13,158.94	+	1,813.06	16,344.00
Teachers' Salaries	437,825.00	421,611.48	+	16,213.52	489,748.00
Supplies, Instructional	16,312.00	16,007.89	+	304.11	18,970.00
Textbooks	9,222.00	11,386.68	−	2,164.68	12,447.00
Library	11,391.00	10,485.19	+	905.81	15,071.00
Audio-Visual	1,600.00	607.96	+	992.04	2,000.00
Guidance Services	9,044.00	8,632.97	+	411.03	11,803.00
Psychological Services	6,570.00	6,672.49	−	102.49	7,816.00
Attendance	7,765.00	6,256.71	+	1,508.29	8,881.00
Health Services	9,208.00	8,610.53	+	597.47	10,830.00
Transportation	62,902.00	61,470.36	+	1,431.64	60,282.00
Student Activities	100.00	50.00	+	50.00	280.00
Custodian Salaries	42,779.00	42,033.00	+	746.00	46,289.00
Supplies, Maintenance	10,424.00	6,988.99	+	3,435.01	10,500.00

Fuel	13,980.00	9,546.50	+ 4,433.50	15,130.00
Utilities	10,786.00	11,310.44	− 524.44	11,940.00
Maintenance of Grounds	700.00	700.52	− .52	850.00
Maintenance of Buildings	8,810.00	11,937.35	− 3,127.35	13,450.00
Maintenance of Equipment	1,600.00	942.57	+ 657.43	1,600.00
Fixed Charges	4,426.00	3,637.69	+ 788.31	3,200.00
New Equipment	5,630.00	5,259.10	+ 370.90	5,250.00
Tuition	17,875.00	14,618.14	+ 3,256.86	21,550.00
Total	$784,423.00	$751,291.66	+$33,131.34	$876,867.00
Less:				
Available P. L. 874	32,000.00	0.00	+ 32,000.00	48,000.00
Amount to Appropriate	$752,423.00			$828,867.00
Community Program	$6,480.00	$5,915.10	+ 564.90	6,480.00

An examination of the School Committee Financial Report and the Analysis of Expenditures highlights the complexity of the development of a school budget. In September, when the committee begins developing the itemized budget for the next year, pupil enrollment; final staff requirements; and the exact cost of textbooks, supplies and services are not definitely known. Major repairs and replacements are scheduled and each year, emergencies develop. Each month, throughout the fiscal year, the actual expenditures (by account) are compared with the budget estimate on a year-to-date basis; the funds committed; and the year-end balance (by account) is developed.

Preparation of the school budget is not an exact science. The experience of previous years and a careful estimate of future requirements determine budget amounts. The School Committee does not include a contingency account in its budget to provide for emergencies. The flexibility of management within the budget appropriation that permits plus and minus balances — as the educational and maintenance needs develop — makes it possible to provide an effective educational program and adequately maintain the facilities within the voted budget.

The total budget expenditures are at 95.77% of the budget estimate — reflecting, in part, the successful implementation of sound business practices and economical operations. Within the budget, as shown by the account balances, over and under expenditures occurred during the year as emergencies developed and savings were realized:

1. Business Office Expense (plus $701.06) — a change in personnel resulted in this saving.
2. Principals' Office (plus $1,813.06) — three secretaries resigned and were replaced with less experienced individuals.
3. Teachers' Salaries (plus $16,213.52) — vacancies caused by: (1) the death of one teacher; (2) resignations of two others were filled with less experienced teachers. The requirement for substitutes, due to illness, was below the estimate.
4. Textbooks (minus $2,164.68) — two additional first grades, not anticipated when the budget was adopted, were opened and equipped in September.

5. Library (plus $905.81) — delay in the delivery of books ordered resulted in this balance.
6. Audio-Visual (plus $992.04) — new equipment was provided by a federal grant.
7. Attendance (plus $1,508.29) — the committee was unable to employ a second School Adjustment Counsellor.
8. Health Services (plus $597.47) — health supplies were less than estimated. Substitute needs were below average.
9. Transportation (plus $1,431.64) — utilization of the new sidewalks reduced the scheduled bus service.
10. Custodians' Salaries (plus $746.00) — employment of additional personnel when Mile Tree School was opened was delayed.
11. Supplies Maintenance (plus $3,435.01) — standardization of materials for all schools, volume bidding, placing of orders and delivery on a once-a-year basis created this major saving this year.
12. Fuel (plus $4,433.50) — the requirements for Mile Tree School were an estimate when the budget was adopted.
13. Utilities (minus $524.44) — Mile Tree School utility needs were under-estimated.
14. Maintenance of Buildings (minus $3,127.35) — major repairs on the Memorial School heating system were needed.
15. Maintenance of Equipment (plus $657.43) — prices for repair and replacement were less than estimated.
16. Fixed Charges (plus $788.31) — a new insurance policy for public buildings reduced this cost.
17. Tuition (plus $3,256.86) — only after pupils enroll for Trade High School and the Adult Evening Program is scheduled can exact tuition costs be determined.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1964-1965

First Term: Wednesday, September 8 through Wednesday, December 23
Second Term: Monday, January 4 through Friday, February 19
Third Term: Monday, March 1 through Thursday, April 15
Fourth Term: Tuesday, April 20 through Friday, June 18

Schools will close on all legal holidays, Friday, October 16, Hampden County Teachers' Convention, and Friday, April 16, Good Friday. Schools will close at noon on November 25 for Thanksgiving.

The Wilbraham School Committee schedules regular meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Special meetings are scheduled as required; all meetings are open to the public.

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Educational and Professional Training
Office:			
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1950	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdett College
Madelyn Howe	Secretary	1964	
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
Stony Hill School:			
Alan J. Rubin	Principal	1955	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Anne Wahlberg	Secretary	1964	
Georgina W. Childs	Grade 1	1963	B.S., M.S., College of St. Rose; Syracuse University
Beverly J. Davis	Grade 1	1964	B.A., University of Buffalo
Mildred Lockwood	Grade 1	1964	B.S., State College at Westfield
Joanne Ewig McCallum	Grade 1	1955	B.S., M.Ed., Skidmore College; Springfield College
Beverly J. Anderson	Grade 2	1964	B.A., Hastings College, Neb.
Doris B. Kendrick	Grade 2	1964	B.A., American International College
Nancy Swetland	Grade 2	1964	B.A., University of Mass.
Therese Dowd	Grade 3	1957	B.A., Our Lady of the Elms College
Margaret A. Fiske	Grade 3	1964	B.A., University of Mass.
Mildred Smith	Grade 3	1963	B.S., Indiana University
Eleanor Fink	Grade 4	1962	B.S., Boston University
Mildred Powell	Grade 4	1960	B.S., University of Nebraska; University of Massachusetts
Charlotte Prochnow	Grade 4	1957	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Bridgewater; Springfield College

Claire Formwalt	Grade 5	1963	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Adolph Jurczyk	Grade 5	1964	B.S., American International College
Alice Kozlowski	Grade 5	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Amelia Riley	Grade 5	1957	B.S., State College at Worcester
Doris Kline	Grade 6	1960	B.S., M.Ed., R.N., L.L.B., Simmons Col.; Boston University; Wesson Hospital; Western New England College
Thomas Lennon	Grade 6	1958	B.S., American International College
Henry Hyde	Custodian	1954	
John Nordin	Custodian	1962	
Joseph Frydryk	Custodian	1964	
Isabella Rollins	Cook	1953	
Yvette Damoulakis	Cook	1961	
Ella Lindsay	Cook	1957	
Lucille Scheiding	Cook	1964	

Memorial School:

Richard S. Ullery, Jr.	Principal	1958	B.A., M.Ed., American International Col.
Joseph K. Zych, Jr.	Assistant Principal	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; State College at Westfield
Gordon S. Bates	Guidance	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College
Florence LeVan	Secretary	1956	
Sharon Boyer	Secretary	1964	
Elizabeth Barnes	Grade 6	1962	B.A., University of Massachusetts
Kathleen Engel	Grade 6	1964	B.A., Our Lady of the Elms College
Henry Marcoux	Grade 6	1963	B.S., State College at Westfield
Madeline Harrington	Special Class	1952	B.S., M.S., University of Massachusetts
Garwood Whitney	Special Class	1963	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
A. Louise Bradley	Junior High	1952	B.A., M.A., American International Col.

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Educational and Professional Training
Muriel Boyce	Junior High	1960	B.A., M.Ed., State College at Framingham; Boston University
Marion Didrikson	Junior High	1959	B.B.A., American International College
Ruth W. Herter	Junior High	1959	B.A.E., Rhode Island School of Design
John F. Hines, Jr.	Junior High	1964	B.S., Michigan State University
Kenneth Hultstrom	Junior High	1961	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Ruth S. Johnson	Junior High	1961	B.A., Oberlin College
William Koslowski	Junior High	1957	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
Willard D. Leshure, Jr.	Junior High	1964	B.A.,Dartmouth
Frank Marshall	Junior High	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; State College at Westfield
Cynthia N. Nordin	Junior High	1964	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Gale Owens	Junior High	1964	B.S., Springfield College
Paul E. Pesce	Junior High	1960	B.S., State College at Salem
James Rafferty	Junior High	1957	B.B.A., University of Mass.
Julia F. Rosenbeck	Junior High	1954	B.A., Springfield College
Cleone Smith	Junior High	1959	B.A., Middlebury College
Irene Walinski	Junior High	1957	B.A., M.Ed., Our Lady of the Elms; Springfield College
John Polaczak	Head Custodian	1949	
John Wnuk	Custodian	1962	
Walter Kapecki	Custodian	1964	
Charlotte Babineau	Cook	1960	
Emma Chamberlin	Cook	1956	
Eva Cloutier	Cook	1958	
Marjorie Goewey	Cook	1960	

The Pines School:

Helen Strauss	Principal	1930	B.S., M.S., Columbia; Springfield College
Alma Fleming	Secretary	1964	
Mary Ellen Gartner	Grade 1	1964	B.A., American International College
Ruth S. Geigel	Grade 1	1961	B.S., Rutgers University
Marion Maloney	Grade 1	1964	B.S., State College at Westfield
Nancy Rico	Grade 1	1964	B.S., State College at Westfield
Elizabeth Cuthbert	Grade 2	1963	B.S., Elmira College, N.Y.
Janet Rose	Grade 2	1964	B.A., University of Massachusetts
Dorothea Brauer	Grade 3	1964	B.S., Valparaiso University, Ind.
Barbara F. Davis	Grade 3	1964	B.A., Queens College, N.Y.
Emma Habin	Grade 3	1960	B.S., State College at Westfield;
Marjorie Befford	Grade 4	1958	State College at Fitchburg
Helen C. Boyd	Grade 4	1964	B.S., State College at Westfield
Evelyn Salisbury	Grade 4	1961	B.A., University of New Hampshire
Mary Ann Herndon	Grade 5	1963	B.S., American International College
Ruth C. Hood	Grade 5	1959	B.S., Teachers College, Danbury, Conr
Charles Lockwood	Grade 5	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Robert D. Lash	Grade 6	1964	B.S., Springfield College
Margaret Snow	Grade 6	1964	B.A., University of Maine
James E. Tremble	Grade 6	1960	B.S., Springfield College
Michael Pyzocha	Custodian	1954	
Mitchell Misiaszek	Custodian	1961	
Joseph Frydryk	Custodian	1964	
Evelyn Dabrowski	Cook	1962	
Julia Dougal	Cook	1952	
Mary Kittredge	Cook	1964	
Jean Lajzer	Cook	1960	

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Educational and Professional Training
Mile Tree School:			
Richard J. Curry	Principal	1954	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Rosemary Laurino	Secretary	1964	
Rosemary Birtwell	Grade 1	1961	B.A., State College at Westfield
Stella Mondoux	Grade 1	1958	B.S., State College at Westfield
Judith Backus Cummings	Grade 2	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Irene Niemiec	Grade 2	1964	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Linda Flewelling	Grade 3	1964	B.S., University of Maine
Madeleine Martin	Grade 3	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Alice F. Foley	Grade 4	1955	State College at Westfield
Charlotte Rome	Grade 4	1964	B.S., Springfield College
Gina Frangie	Grade 5	1954	B.A., M.Ed., American International Col.; Springfield College
Terry Rhicard	Grade 5	1964	B.S., American International College
Thomas W. Farnham	Custodian	1958	
G. Frederic Boyce	Custodian	1963	
Helen Los	Cook	1962	
Dorothy Powell	Cook	1964	
Adeline Thurlow	Cook	1964	
Supervisors and Special Subject Teachers:			
Ruth G. Backus	Elementary Supervisor	1953	State College at Framingham
Marguerite G. Brady	Librarian	1942	Perry Normal

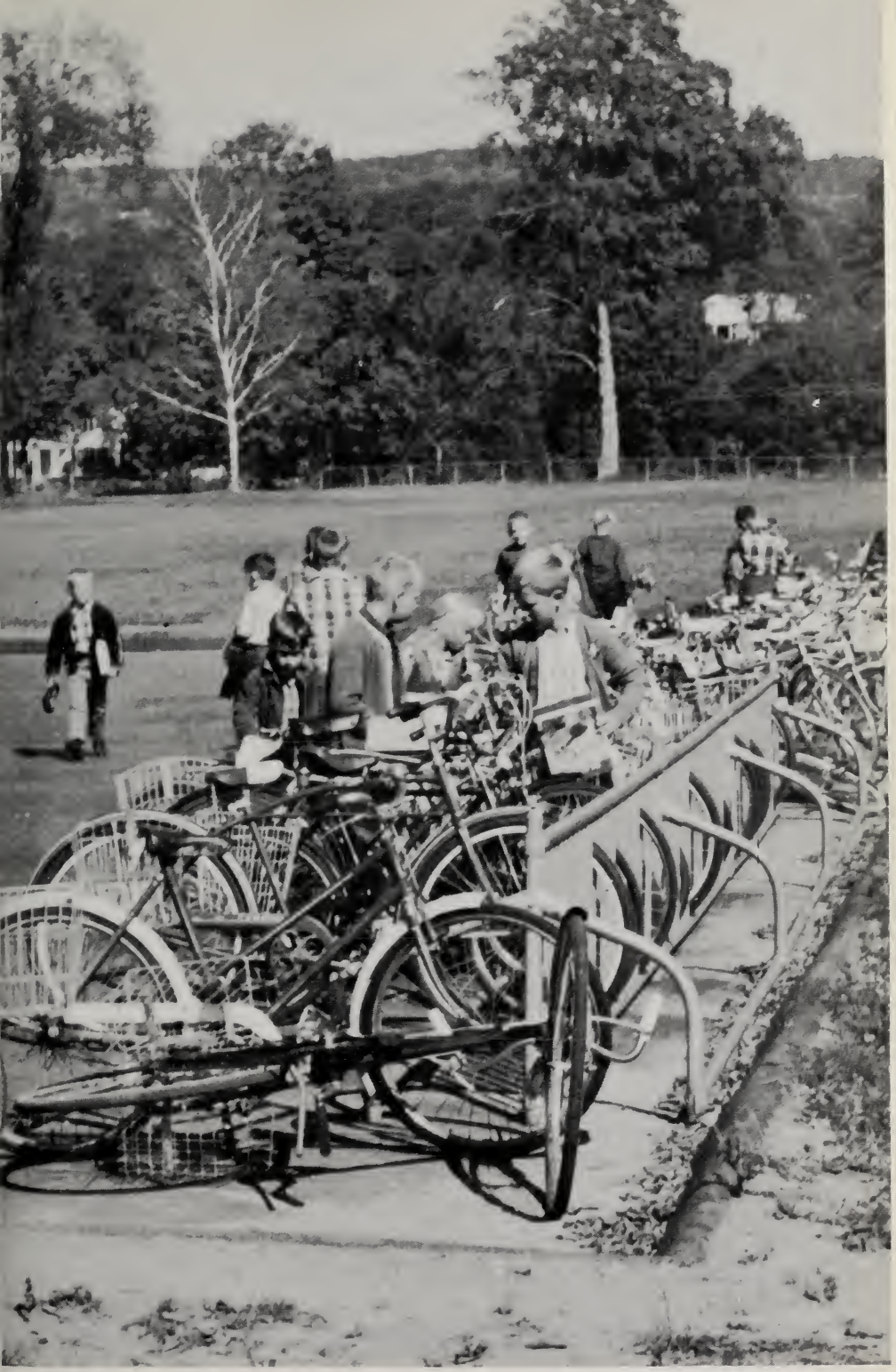
Millicent G. Green	Remedial Teacher	1938	State College at North Adams
Robert P. Garvey	Science Coordinator	1955	B.A., M.A., St. Anselm's; American International College
A. May Jenkins	Cafeteria Manager	1950	
Esther Johnson	Music	1949	State College at Westfield
Margaret M. Kiely	Adjustment Counsellor	1959	B.A., M.A., American International Col.; Springfield College
Bruce Kurtz	Physical Education	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Marion McKinstry	Art	1956	Massachusetts School of Art
Elizabeth Richards	Physical Education	1962	B.A., Oberlin College
Merilis Scott	School Psychologist	1960	B.S., M.S., State College at Fitchburg; Springfield College
Health:			
Ruth Fay	Nurse	1962	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Arthur H. Goodwin	Doctor	1947	M.D., Tufts
Janet Horacek	Nurse	1954	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Transportation:			
George W. Motyka		1932	
Mrs. Florence Butler		1962	
Paul Douillard		1962	

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Catherine Alaimo, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Judith Arnold, teacher, resigned, February 15, 1964
Judith Bready, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Audrey Dabagian, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Paula Coonan, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Rosemarie Gill, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Marion Holland, teacher, retired, July 31, 1964
Mary Johnston, teacher, deceased, January 19, 1964
Adele Kochanek, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Valerie Lundberg, teacher, resigned, July 31, 1964
Clara B. Merrill, teacher, retired, June 30, 1964
Virginia M. Popp, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Virginia Sternberg, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Emily Bready, cook, deceased, December 6, 1964
Joann LedDuke, bookkeeper, resigned, August 31, 1964
Patricia Frydryk Dygon, secretary, employed by Regional School District
Marion Castaldini, secretary, resigned, October 9, 1964



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Report of the
1964 Wilbraham School Survey Committee

The 1964 Wilbraham School Survey Committee was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to investigate the predicted imminent mismatch between existing facilities and expected future school enrollment, and to prepare a long-range plan for build-up of needed new facilities. This work has been completed and a summary report presented to the Selectmen. Following are the highlights of this report:

A. *Scope of Survey*

This Committee was charged with studying the problems of the Wilbraham school system which includes only the grades 1 through 8. Grades 9 through 12 are under the jurisdiction of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District. However, no long-range survey could be comprehensive unless the total problem were studied. Therefore, the scope of the survey covers the grades 1 through 12, and provides a 15-year look into the future, a period long enough to prevent disrupting the logic of even later expansions while short enough to allow for reasonable accuracy in projecting the needs.

B. *Primary Considerations*

The principle which guided this committee throughout its 10 months of study was that of planning for the highest quality facilities from the educational standpoint consistent with economic prudence. This principle was interpreted to mean holding the number of pupils per classroom at a reasonable level, readying new facilities in time to meet the demand, taking advantage of opportunities to allow ability-grouping of classes, and so on, while at the same time searching for means to minimize construction and operating costs.

C. *Conclusions*

The following conclusions are bolstered by the advice, opinions, and data sought from educators, architects, statisticians, and pertinent offices of the Commonwealth:

1. *School Enrollment Projections*

   By 1978, the number of Wilbraham pupils attending public schools is estimated at about 5800. This is 2½ times the current figure and illustrates the magnitude of the problem confronting Wilbraham. A breakdown of

the enrollment estimate is included. In developing the enrollment figures, data from as far back as 1945 were used to assist in predicting future trends. As expected, the original enrollment projection reflected an exponential growth. However, since the town has a finite capacity, the rate of growth must taper-off as saturation is approached. The exponential data were modified, therefore, to account for saturation occurring around the year 2000 and for maximum rate of growth being reached by about 1970.

2. *Optimum Classroom Occupancy*

The number of pupils per classroom considered optimum is:

Grade 1	25
Grades 2-6	27
Grades 7-9	25
Grades 9-12	22
Special Classes	1 room each for elementary, junior high, and senior high classes

These figures have been exceeded by as much as 10% as necessary to enable a one-year postponement in opening a new facility.

3. *The Regionalization Option*

The State Aid available for school construction as of January 1, 1965 is 40% for the town of Wilbraham and 56% for the Hampden-Wilbraham Region. Because of this significant difference, the regionalization option should be considered each time a new building program is anticipated. The intangible aspects, both pro and con, are too lengthy to discuss here and the decision in each case can only be reached by town vote. The tangible comparison of building costs, however, is represented in the long-range plans included.

4. *Long-Range School Facilities Plans*

The proposed long-range plans have been developed from the preceding data, estimates, and philosophy, and compare the case for continued autonomy of grades 1 through 8 versus regionalizing grades 7 and 8.

D. *Recommendations*

The following course of action is recommended in order that necessary new facilities are provided in a timely and economical fashion:

1. It is recommended that either Case I or Case II be adopted and that the question of further regionalization be brought to vote at the March 1965 Town Meeting.
2. It is recommended that, dependent on adoption or rejection of further regionalization, either the Town of Wilbraham or the Hampden-Wilbraham Region appoint a Building Committee to proceed immediately with the first step of either long-range plan; namely, the erection of a new junior high school timed to be ready for occupancy no later than September, 1968.
3. It is recommended that a committee be appointed to look into various means available for reserving land for future school needs, and then take the action indicated to reserve the necessary sites.
4. It is recommended that the financial estimates included herein be put to use by Town Officials in order that orderly planning of property taxation, loan financing, zoning, and stabilization fund utilization may result.

It is with deep appreciation that this committee acknowledges the cooperation of the Wilbraham School Committee and the efforts of Mr. Edwin C. Harrington during the course of the survey.

WILLIAM W. MUMFORD, JR., *Chairman*
IRVING H. AGARD, *Secretary*
ROGER P. CARON
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FREDERICK B. SEEL
DAVID L. STONE

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Mrs. Byron Musselman (center) receives a plaque in recognition of her service on the Wilbraham School Committee. Others include the late Bruce Stephens, Alexander Marco, Supt. of Schools Irving H. Agard, and Harry Dabagian.

Report of the 1962 School Building Committee

On October 13, 1964, more than 600 residents of Wilbraham attended the open-house inspection of Mile Tree School. The 1962 School Committee has completed its assignment for the construction and the equipping of this elementary school and has turned the facility over to the Wilbraham School Committee for operation and maintenance.

The Building Committee commends both the firm of Alderman and MacNeish, architects and engineers — for the excellent design and planning, and the Petronella Construction Company — for the quality of workmanship and rapid completion of the work.

Except for a final payment on the seeding, all bills have been certified for payment before the end of the year. A substantial balance, as shown in the Financial Report, will be returned to the Town.

Dorrance T. Green, *Chairman*
Doris C. Bowman
Ethel M. Musselman
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Fred T. Googins
Larry D. Lewis
Edwin M. Osgood
Frederick B. Seel

Report of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee

The District School Committee, as authorized by the General Laws of Massachusetts, and as established by Town Meeting votes in the Regional Agreement between the Towns of Hampden and Wilbraham, is charged with the responsibility and is assigned the authority for the operation of Minnechaug High School.

In this, our 1964 annual report to the citizens of the District, we record with pride the accomplishments of the pupils in your high school and express our appreciation for your support of our efforts. Since 1956, when this District was organized, the citizens have supported a program of high academic achievement growing out of challenging educational experiences for the students. In 1964, and again in the 1965 budget, the educational program at Minnechaug represents a major financial expenditure for the citizens in Hampden and Wilbraham. Only in studying the record of our students and the financial statements in this report, can you determine how educationally effective and financially efficient has been the stewardship of this committee.

Members of the 1964 graduating class are now engaged as follows:

Four year colleges	59
Two year colleges	12
Three year nursing	3
Practical nursing	1
Technical and vocational schools	11
Employed	20
Military service	9
Married (girls)	2
Status unknown	5
Sisterhood	0
Post graduates	3
Total	125

Combining the first four graduating classes from Minnechaug High School, the following totals develop:

Four year colleges	210
Two year colleges	52
Three year nursing	13
Practical nursing	5
Technical and vocational schools	33
Employed	78
Military service	33
Married (girls)	10
Status unknown	19
Sisterhood	2
Post graduates	5
Total	460

Stating the information tabulated above in another form, your committee reports with pride that 45.6% of the graduates of this high school have been accepted in four-year degree-granting colleges and universities. With 68% of the graduates enrolled in four-year colleges and universities, two-year colleges, schools of nursing and technical and vocational schools, 17% gainfully employed and 7% in the military services; it is accurate to state that this school is fulfilling its basic purpose of meeting the educational needs of the majority of the pupils in the District. The responsibility for the effective and realistic individual counselling of all pupils in the high school, commencing with entrance into the freshman class and continuing beyond employment and post-graduate educational placement, is assigned to Mr. Charles B. Thompson, Director of Guidance. The committee commends him for the excellent record.

Among the many fine achievements at Minnechaug High School in 1964 must be listed:

1. The first Merit Scholar finalist and the seven pupils cited in the National Merit Scholarship rankings — three as semifinalists in the scholarship qualifying test and four given commendations for their high performance;
2. The continued success in varsity athletics with league and Western Massachusetts championships in basketball, swimming, track, and gymnastics;
3. The Western Massachusetts Music Festival sponsored by the District.

Early in December, the school committee, faculty, students and citizens of the region were excited and pleased to learn that Miss Vivian Little, Chairman of the English Department at Minnechaug High School, had been selected as Teacher of the Year by the Massachusetts Department of Education. This recognition of her professional leadership and contributions to the education of the youths she has guided and influenced is a well-earned tribute to an outstanding person and teacher.

This report and evaluation of the school year must include a commendation of the teaching and administrative staff of the school. Your attention is called to the section of the report which lists personnel employed by the District and shows the level of training and depth of experience for each individual. This is a well-trained and experienced staff, capable of providing the type of instruction needed by our students.

In adjusting the teachers' minimum salary from $4,800.00 to conform to the revised state minimum salary of $5,000.00, the committee applied the $200.00 increase to all steps in the schedule and thus maintained the existing differential between levels of experience and preparation. The increment between steps six and seven was increased from $200.00 to $300.00 in recognition of the importance of retaining experienced personnel in the educational program.

Your committee is pleased to report that the construction of the Minnechaug High School addition is on schedule. Occupancy is planned for September, 1965. The 1963 Annual Report explains, in detail, the need for the additional facilities, the proposal for additional classrooms, and the estimated cost of the project.

Construction bids were opened on February 27, 1964, and a project budget of $754,796.00 — $29,704.00 less than the

$784,500.00 projected in the 1963 report — was adopted. The project attracted extremely competitive bidding and a high degree of interest. Offsetting credits, consisting of transfers and state planning reimbursements totaling $79,796.00, reduced the borrowing requirements to $675,000.00. At the Annual Town Meetings in March, 1964, authorization to borrow $675,000.00 was voted. On April 9, 1964, the committee signed the construction contract with the Ciocca Construction Company.

At the meeting on July 3, 1964, the committee sold the bonds for the project at a three percent interest rate with repayment of principal scheduled on a ten-year basis — a savings in interest over the more conventional twenty-year plan of $101,250.00.

The opening of the addition will eliminate the present overcrowded conditions. Based upon present pupil-growth projections and a continuation of the present scheduling of academic classes, the new facility will be filled to capacity with grades nine through twelve by 1970 or 1971.

Following a year of investigating and studying methods to improve the efficiency of the business office, the committee approved the installation of data processing equipment. While still on a trial basis, the achievements with this equipment have been impressive. The budget, bookkeeping — in accordance with state and federal requirements of reporting — payrolls, and personnel records are all now handled with greater efficiency by this equipment. Pupil accounting for all of the schools in the District and the annual school census have been converted to punched cards; and more accurate records and greatly increased speed in reporting is apparent. Preliminary details for pupil scheduling and report cards are being organized for utilization next year.

One challenging potential for additional use of the data processing installation exists in providing instructional opportunities for some of our pupils. Because such an application departs from the traditional business education program, initiative and imagination will be necessary to work out a realistic and practical course of study. Your committee hopes that the introduction of a student training program in the use of this equipment can be recorded in the 1965 annual report.

The District Committee has been represented at meetings of the Hampden and the Wilbraham School Survey Committees, where the explosive increase in the pupil population of the District has been studied.

The committee again wishes to report its satisfaction with the educational and supporting staff for the hard work, continued efforts and daily accomplishments in improving the academic program and maintaining the high level of business management and facilities maintenance.

Your school committee appreciates the support and assistance of the citizens and the elected and appointed officials of Hampden and Wilbraham. It is a challenging and rewarding opportunity to serve the community as school committee members.

JOHN R. LYMAN, *Chairman*
ANDREW J. MULCAHY, JR., *Vice-Chairman*
DORIS C. BOWMAN
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DUDLEY N. HARTT, JR.
CHESTER L. THORNDIKE, JR.
JULIA WINETROUT

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Homemaking class at Minnechaug Regional High School.

HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1964

Planning and Construction Budget	
Balance, January 1, 1964	$29,973.48
1964 Receipts	709,169.55
Funds Available	$739,143.03
1964 Expenditures	449,046.09
Balance, December 31, 1964	$290,096.94
Capital Cost Budget	
1964 Assessments to Towns	$86,943.89
1964 State Construction Grant	65,541.11
Total Available	$152,485.00
1964 Expenditures	152,485.00
Balance, December 31, 1964	$0.00
Operating Budget	
1964 Assessments to Towns	$453,660.91
1964 Offsetting Credits	76,291.09
Total Available	$529,952.00
1964 Expenditures	507,886.54
Balance, December 31, 1964 — To Surplus Revenue	$22,065.46
Income of 1964	
Balance, January 1, 1964	$0.00
1964 Receipts	50,758.72
Balance, December 31, 1964 — To Surplus Revenue	$50,758.72
Surplus Revenue Account	
Balance, January 1, 1964	$16,088.54
1964 Receipts	72,824.18
Funds Available	$88,912.72
To 1965 Operating Budget Credits	74,003.65
Balance, January 1, 1965	$14,909.07
Public Law 874	
Balance, January 1, 1964	$11,202.20
1964 Receipts	8,186.00
Funds Available	$19,388.20
1964 Expenditures	8,865.00
Balance, December 31, 1964	$10,523.20
Public Law 85-864	
Balance, January 1, 1964	$322.72
1964 Receipts	996.40
Funds Available	$1,319.12
1964 Expenditures	586.58
Balance, December 31, 1964	$732.54

Hot Lunch Account	
Balance, January 1, 1964	$3,829.87
1964 Receipts	37,067 10
Funds Available	$40,896.97
1964 Expenditures	37,686.70
Balance, December 31, 1964	$3,210.27
Athletic Account	
Balance, January 1, 1964	$3,961.81
1964 Receipts	3,748.65
Funds Available	$7,710.46
1964 Expenditures	3,306.20
Balance, December 31, 1964	$4,404.26
Committed to 1965 Athletic Expenditures	$3,000.00

ASSESSMENT FOR 1965 REVENUE STATEMENT

Capital Costs	
1956 and 1957 Loans, Retirement and Service	$149,190.00
1957 Loan, Construction Grant	65,541.11
Balance to assess towns	$83,648.89
Hampden 22.5% — $18,821.00; Wilbraham 77.5% — $64,827.89	
1964 Loan, Retirement and Service	$100,375.00
1964 Loan, Construction Grant	44,000.00
Balance to assess towns	$56,375.00

Hampden 20.03% — $11,291.91; Wilbraham 79.97% — $45,083.09

Capital assessments
Hampden $30,112.91; Wilbraham $109,910.98

Operating Budget	
Total Budget less capital costs	$603,306.00
1965 Credits, 1964 receipts	74,003.65
Balance to assess towns	$529,302.35

	Hampden	Wilbraham	Total
Pupils	137	618	755
Percentage	18.15	81.85	100
Assessment	$96,068.37	$433,233.98	$529,302.35

TOTAL ASSESSMENTS TO HAMPDEN AND WILBRAHAM

	Capital	Operating	Total	¼ Payment
Hampden	$30,112.91	$96,068.37	$126,181.28	$31,545.32
Wilbraham	109,910.98	433,233.98	543,144.96	135,786.24
Total	$140,023.89	$529,302.35	$669,326.24	

Assessments payable in four equal installments not later than the first day of April, June, September and December.

PUPIL ENROLLMENT BY GRADE

October 1, 1964

Grade	Hampden	Monson	Wilbraham	Total
9	34	2	173	209
10	42	2	153	197
11	30	0	142	172
12	31	1	148	180
PG			2	2
	137	5	618	760

15 YEAR SCHOOL ENROLLMENT PROJECTION

GRADE	W 1-6	W 7-8	W 9-12	H&W* 7-8	H&W* 9-12
Year					
1964-65	1366	397	612	509	747
1965-66	1418	443	660	567	810
1966-67	1489	451	733	570	927
1967-68	1590	492	813	627	1023
1968-69	1708	536	903	704	1151
1969-70	1813	585	1001	764	1267
1970-71	1937	638	1191	818	1405
1971-72	2028	682	1208	879	1530
1972-73	2129	731	1322	935	1682
1973-74	2217	780	1445	1001	1834
1974-75	2306	829	1574	1065	1972
1975-76	2388	879	1763	1128	2195
1976-77	2471	932	1838	1197	2296
1977-78	2567	974	1974	1254	2460
1978-79	2640	1045	2113	1342	2628

W — Wilbraham

H — Hampden

* Hampden enrollment figures provided by the Hampden Survey Committee.

Victorious Minnechaug basketball team after tying for the 1964 Valley Wheel title. Shown are Morgan, Fryer, Truesdale, Turner and Braskie.

CASE I — AUTONOMY OF GRADES 1-8

Year	Event	Estimated Building Cost to Wilbraham*
1964		0
1965		0
1966	Move 8th to Minnechaug	0
1967	Move 8th to Minnechaug	0
1968	Open 25 room junior high Convert Memorial to elementary	$1,050,000
1969		0
1970	Open 8 room addition to Mile Tree	150,000
	Open 25 room senior high	750,000
1971	Open 20 room addition to junior high	350,000
1972	Open 12 room elementary	510,000
1973	Open 20 room addition to senior high	250,000
1974		0
1975		0
1976	Open 8 room addition to elementary	150,000
	Open 25 room senior high	620,000
1977		0
1978		0
	Total Estimated Cost to Wilbraham	$3,830,000

* Estimates neglect construction cost escalation and changes in State aid percentages.

CASE II — REGIONALIZE GRADES 7-8

Year	Event	Estimated Building Cost to Wilbraham*
1964		0
1965		0
1966	Move 8th to Minnechaug	0
1967	Move 8th to Minnechaug	0
1968	Open 32 room junior high Convert Memorial to elementary	$600,000
1969		0
1970	Open 32 room senior high	600,000
	Open 8 room addition to Mile Tree	150,000
1971		0
1972	Open 12 room elementary	510,000
1973	Open 25 room senior high	750,000
1974		0
1975		0
1976	Open 18 room junior high	390,000
	Open 8 room addition to elementary	150,000
1977		0
1978	Open 20 room addition to senior high	250,000
	Total Estimated Cost to Wilbraham	$3,400,000

* Estimates neglect construction cost escalation and changes in State aid percentages.

Account	1964 Budget	1964 Expenditures		1964 Balance	1965 Budget
Expense of School Committee	$465.00	$278.00	+	$187.00	$365.00
Superintendents' Salaries	8,100.00	8,100.00		0.00	8,500.00
Business Office	7,130.00	11,385.32	−	4,255.32	15,229.00
Principals' Salaries	19,008.00	18,976.14	+	31.86	20,314.00
Principal's Office	8,215.00	7,577.53	+	637.47	7,934.00
Teachers' Salaries	263,740.00	259,370.03	+	4,369.97	304,821.00
Supplies, Instructional	17,388.00	18,319.07	−	931.07	16,826.00
Textbooks	10,170.00	10,142.60	+	27.40	10,280.00
Library	10,832.00	10,149.59	+	682.41	12,430.00
Audio-Visual	900.00	683.98	+	216.02	1,845.00
Guidance	23,056.00	22,080.31	+	975.69	27,499.00
Speech Services	12,575.00	6,525.04	+	6,049.96	11,291.00
Attendance Officer	100.00	100.00		0.00	100.00
Health	5,077.00	5,077.38	−	.38	5,320.00
Transportation	35,826.00	34,120.61	+	1,705.39	43,443.00
Food Services	100.00	$0.00	+	100.00	100.00
Varsity Athletics	8,442.00	8,551.30	−	109.30	10,725.00
Student Body Activities	1,000.00	671.28	+	328.72	800.00
Custodians' Salaries	28,509.00	28,004.65	+	504.35	37,383.00
Custodial Supplies	2,500.00	2,400.21	+	99.79	2,500.00
Heating of Buildings	11,000.00	9,845.95	+	1,154.05	15,000.00
Utility Services	14,020.00	13,348.06	+	671.94	16,950.00
Maintenance of Grounds	1,600.00	1,507.89	+	92.11	1,600.00
Maintenance of Buildings	4,875.00	4,847.59	+	27.41	5,525.00
Maintenance of Equipment	4,171.00	4,192.51	−	21.51	4,837.00
Retirement	4,200.00	3,377.47	+	822.53	4,300.00

Insurance	4,422.00	3,248.06	+ 1,173.94	4,589.00
Current Loan	2,000.00	1,618.75	+ 381.25	3,000.00
Community Services	7,200.00	7,978.87	− 778.87	7,000.00
New Equipment	4,331.00	4,014.30	+ 316.70	2,800.00
Debt Retirement and Service	152,485.00	152,485.00	0.00	249,565.00
Budget Contingency	9,000.00	1,394.05	+ 7,605.95	0.00
	$682,437.00	$660,371.54	+$22,065.46	$852,871.00

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
District Office:			
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1956	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Kenneth E. Johnson	Assistant Superintendent	1957	B.A., M.A., C.A.G.S., American International College; University of Conn.
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdette College
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
Madelyn Howe	Secretary	1964	
Patricia F. Dygon	Secretary	1964	
High School Office:			
Lincoln A. Dexter	Principal	1961	B.S., M.Ed., Rhode Island State; State College at Worcester
Richard I. Trenholm	Assistant Principal and Social Studies	1960	B.A., M.A., Bates College; Boston Univ.
Charles B. Thompson	Guidance Director	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; University of New Hampshire
Peter Gartner	Guidance Counsellor	1959	B.A., Bates College
Marjorie Bean	Secretary	1960	
Cammella Kerr	Secretary	1963	
Joan Makuch	Secretary	1964	

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Teachers:			
Marilyn M. Ats	Languages	1961	B.A., University of Oklahoma
Jerry A. Badger	Biology	1963	B.A., M.Ed., Bates College; Springfield College
David Barry	Social Studies	1964	B.A., M.A., St. Michael's; St. John's University, N. Y.
Walter Battershall	Art	1964	B.A., M.A., Yale; University of Penn.
Rosemary Bauer	English	1964	B.S., Springfield College
Charles Beeler	Music	1964	B.Mus., Hartt College, Hartford
Lawrence Bergmann	Mathematics	1964	B.S., University of Massachusetts
Richard Brown	Sciences	1959	B.A., Bowdoin College
William Vincent Burke	Social Studies	1963	B.S., M.S., Springfield College
Judith A. Cross	Home Economics	1961	B.A., Keene Teachers College
Marcia Denison	Physical Education	1964	B.A., M.S., Denison University; Columbia University
Paul Deslauriers	Remedial	1964	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; State College at Westfield
James DeWolf	Industrial Arts	1959	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Alf Ehnstrom	Physical Education	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Margaret E. Fey	Languages	1963	B.A., Lake Erie College
Katherine Goulding	Home Economics	1961	B.S., State College at Framingham
Ronald E. Hofmann	English	1964	B.A., M.Ed., University of Mass.; State College at Westfield
Marios Kacoyannakis	Social Studies	1962	B.A., American International College
Dwight Killam	Music	1959	B.Mus., M.Mus., Syracuse; Boston Univ.
Constance Kimberly	English	1961	B.A., American International College
William Michael Kober	Physical Education	1960	B.S., Springfield College
Edgar Law	Mathematics	1960	B.A., M.A., Trinity College, Hartford
Vivian Little	English	1959	B.A., M.A., Mount Holyoke; Hartford Seminary Foundation
Henry Manegre	Industrial Arts	1963	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Robert McCarthy	Languages	1964	B.A., M.A., University of Mass.; Harvard

Dorothy Marot	Librarian	1963	B.A., Syracuse University
Harold K. Miller	Mathematics	1959	B.S., Springfield College
Maureen Miller	Physical Education	1964	B.S., Springfield College
David Munsey	Industrial Arts and Mathematics	1964	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Michael Murphy	Mathematics	1964	B.S., B.A., State College at Westfield; Concordia, Missouri
Jean B. O'Neil	English	1963	B.A., American International College
Barbara Prackneck	English	1963	B.A., M.Ed., Regis College
George Robinson, Jr.	Mathematics	1959	B.S., M.Ed., University of Mass.; Springfield College
Valeta Robinson	Languages	1963	B.A., Middlebury College
Donald G. Short	Music	1962	B.Mus., M.Mus., Boston University
Richard Spencer	English	1959	B.A., M.Ed., University of Mass.; Springfield College
Karl D. Sternberg	Science	1960	B.A., American International College
Jean M. Stuart	Business Education	1961	B.A., American International College
Christine Trenholm	Business Education	1959	Ac.S., B.S., M.Ed., Bay Path; American International College; Trinity, Hartford
Joseph B. VanWest	Art	1959	B.S., Tufts; Dip., Museum School of Fine Arts
Louis Verani	Business Education	1963	B.S., American International College
Helen Walinski	Mathematics	1959	B.A., M.E., Our Lady of the Elms; Springfield College
Speech Therapists:			
Sharon Horton	Speech	1962	B.A., State University of Iowa
Julie Speakman	Speech	1964	B.A., M.A., Bennington College; University of Virginia
Health:			
Arthur H. Goodwin	Doctor	1959	M.D., Tufts
Madeline Newsome	Nurse	1959	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Hot Lunch Program:			
May Jenkins	Manager	1959	
Leona Isham	Cook	1959	
Arlene Ross	Cook	1959	

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed
Nancy Clark	Cook	1959
Marie Tupper	Cook	1962
Doris Willis	Cook	1963
Edith Wickett	Cook	1964
Dorlene Howard	Cook	1964
Custodians:		
Everett Pickens	Head Custodian	1959
Walter Polanczak		1959
Stanley Strycharz		1959
Harold Rogers		1959
Leon Superneau		1959
George Hosie		1964
Transportation:		
George W. Motyka	Wilbraham	1959
Charles Walker	Hampden	1962

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Donald Bamford, teacher, leave of absence
David Nass, teacher, leave of absence
Patricia Cox, teacher, leave of absence
Charlotte Barry, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Carolyn Bjorn, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Ruth Fairfield, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Katharine Habig, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Elizabeth Kulig, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Joann LedDuke, District Treasurer, resigned, August 31, 1964
Lucille Newhouse, secretary, resigned, July 10, 1964
John Peterson, teacher, resigned, December 31, 1964
Lucille Scheiding, cook, resigned, June 30, 1964
Mary E. Socha, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
James F. Starkie, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1964
Doris V. Williams, teacher, resigned, August 12, 1964

Aid to Agriculture and Hampden County Improvement League

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth — Chapter 128, Section 42 — the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provisions of the law under which they are appointed.

The Trustees are further empowered to maintain agents to conduct meetings or demonstrations, make individual farm and home visits and in all ways help to improve home and community interests in every way possible.

Agricultural Work

Primary emphasis in all agricultural projects during the past year has been the improvement in the management capabilities of interested farmers in the Hampden County area. Agents in Hampden County assisted farmers through meetings, circular letters, and individual farm visits throughout the year.

Specific information is available on request from agents at all times.

4-H Club Work

During the year there were 122 boys and girls enrolled in the various projects offered. 23 local leaders assisted the county agents and state extension specialists in conducting the work. The leaders incurred expenses totalling $38.59.

Home Department Work

During the year 75 women attended 32 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 38 local leaders assisted by the county agents and state extension specialists. There were 14 different projects offered. The local leaders incurred expenses totalling $136.49.

The appropriation made by your town was used by the agents of the Trustees for residents of Wilbraham only.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1964 Appropriation	$125.00
1963 Unexpended Balance	86.02
Total Available for 1964	$211.02
Total Expenditure in 1964	175.08
Balance Available for 1965	$35.94
Recommended Appropriation for 1965	$200.00

ALBERT H. FULLER, *Clerk*

Animal Inspector's Report

Of the 343 animals inspected, all were found to be clean and free of disease. The animals consisted of 158 dairy cows, 21 beef cows, 56 horses, 67 sheep, 19 swine, and 22 goats.

There were no dairy cows reported shipped in from out of state.

Robert A. Converse

Assessors' Report

The major change in this office during 1964 has been in the personnel responsible for its operation. In April, Edward H. Godfrey, resigned from the office of Assessor after being elected a Selectman in the March election. Mr. Whitney C. Stiles was appointed by the Selectmen and Assessors to fill the unexpired portion of Mr. Godfrey's term of office. Effective September 1, 1964, Mrs. Josephine M. Pease retired as the Assistant Assessor and head clerk in this office after serving the town in an excellent manner for many years. Our office is now being efficiently operated by Mrs. Alexina C. Holdridge and Mrs. Doris V. Edson.

On January 1, 1964, a new State Law became effective granting a $4,000 abatement to persons over 70 years of age with low incomes who own property valued at $14,000 or less. There were 52 abatements granted under this law in 1964 for a dollar amount of $5,035.98.

Residential construction continued at an active rate. The decrease in the number of new homes started in 1964, as compared with 1963, was due almost exclusively to the fact that a large development of 50 homes was started in 1963.

Late in 1964 work began on the construction of a new plant for the Wilbraham Manufacturing Corporation at 2342 Boston Road. Also under construction is a sizeable addition to the Friendly Ice Cream Corp. plant. These industrial buildings will be an addition to the taxable valuation for 1966 since, on January 1, 1965, only a minimum amount of construction had been completed.

The figures used in setting the 1964 tax rate follow:

Appropriations to be raised by taxation	$1,953,644.79	
Appropriations taken from available funds	202,752.76	$2,156,397.55
Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years	7,442.71	
Tax and Assessments:		
State Parks and Reservations	4,478.14	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,301.75	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	774.15	
County Tax	16,030.16	
Overlay of current year	21,345.72	51,372.63
		$2,207,770.18

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	$128,258.84	
Corporation Tax	38,323.82	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	1,406.60	
Old Age Meal Tax	1,756.94	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	215,000.00	
Licenses	7,000.00	
Fines	1,300.00	
Special Assessments	2,000.00	
General Government	2,600.00	
Protection of Persons and Property	6,500.00	
Health and Sanitation	700.00	
Charities (other than Federal grants)	17,500.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal grants)	9,000.00	
Veterans' Services	1,200.00	
School (Funds from Income Tax not to be included)	52,985.00	
Libraries	800.00	
Public Service Enterprises	76,000.00	
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	4,500.00	
State Assistance — School Construction	106,420.25	
Taken from Available Funds	202,752.76	876,004.21
Net amount to be raised by taxation on Property		$1,331,765.97
Valuation of Personal Property	$2,368,050.00	
Tax on Personal Property		58,017.23
Valuation of Real Estate	51,989,740.00	
Tax on Real Estate		1,273,748.74
Total Tax on Property		$1,331,765.97

Tax Rate per $1,000 — $24.50

School rate $16.50 General rate $8.00

Building Inspector's Report

Permits — Number and Type		*Estimated Cost*
118	Dwellings	$1,879,000.00
1	School Addition	600,000.00
1	Church Addition	110,000.00
3	Industrial Buildings	165,000.00
2	Industrial Additions	25,000.00
2	Commercial Buildings	9,100.00
7	Commercial Additions	28,000.00
1	Commercial Alteration	10,000.00
20	Room Additions	58,400.00
10	Alterations	11,080.00
17	Garages	19,880.00
10	Porches	8,350.00
3	Playrooms	2,600.00
1	Dormer	5,500.00
7	Swimming Pools	14,580.00
1	Road Side Stand	3,500.00
9	Tool Sheds	875.00
2	Stables	375.00
3	Green Houses	925.00
1	Barn	200.00
1	Sign	250.00
1	Patio	125.00
7	Demolition	
228		$2,952,750.00

Inspections: 360 New Buildings; 80 Plumbing; 83 Septic Tanks; 65 Additions and Alterations; 40 Gas Piping.

ANTHONY G. MASCARO

Report of By-Laws Study Committee

The By-Laws Study Committee held several meetings during 1964. Members of the committee are continuing to work on their assigned sections of the by-laws. The committee intends to propose a new by-law which would require that, with the exception of the Annual Town Report, all future publications be printed on 8½″ x 11″ paper and be punched for insertion in a three-ring loose leaf binder. This would have the advantage of standardizing the publications of the various boards and departments so that they could all be bound together for easy reference.

RICHARD L. DANFORTH, *Chairman*
JOHN F. FITZGERALD
SIDNEY LOW
WILLIAM SULLIVAN
W. EDWIN WATKINS

Civil Defense

This past year our efforts have been primarily in maintaining and improving our main lines of defense — Communications, Fire, Police, and Engineering.

We have secured a license for the only public shelter available at this time that meets the necessary Federal qualifications. This shelter has been equipped with the necessary food, water, medical, and sanitation supplies for 197 people for a period of two weeks. We shall try to get other shelters licensed and equipped for our residents and travelers.

Our aim is to participate in state programs bringing to the local citizens worthwhile and important training and information.

Material has been procured from the Surplus Material Warehouse in Taunton, Mass., a State agency, to add to our protection facilities.

It has been recommended that the Water Department insure the availability of an independent local drinking water supply so that it is immediately available to the local citizens in case of disaster or emergency at which time we could be prevented from using our present sources of supply.

Our citizens can help their families and community by approving construction of recommended shelters in future public buildings which can be built with matching funds.

The Wilbraham Civil Defense Headquarters will be moved to a new location in 1965 if plans are fulfilled. This change will make it possible to have an alternate location for the town administration to function without interruption should any disaster strike.

We have included in our budget only those items which are necessary to maintain our first-class standing in preparedness for any emergency.

WALTER R. HOWE, JR., *Director*

Report of the Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission of the Town of Wilbraham held regular meetings on the first Tuesday of each month and in addition held six special meetings.

The Commission studied various areas in town which could fulfill long-range plans for providing the Town with property which would serve both as flood control and recreational areas.

It would be very desirable for the Town to acquire as much of the low-lying swampy area between Stony Hill Road and Main Street as would be feasible. This at present serves to store surplus storm water, as a green belt and buffer zone between developments, and as a wild life refuge. As a first step the Commission recommended that the Town acquire the Bruuer Pond property from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williamson, consisting of four and one half acres at a price of $5,500. At the Special Town Meeting held in June, the Town so voted. In projects approved by both the Town and the State up to 50% of the purchase price will be returned to the Town by the State. On December 22, 1964, the Town received a check in the amount of $2,729.50 from Mr. Charles H. W. Foster, Commissioner of the Division of Conservation Services, representing the Commonwealth's share.

Various members of the Commission attended meetings on Conservation in the State.

1. A State Regional Meeting in Northampton in April.
2. Two Public Meetings of the Coordinating Committee, Connecticut River Comprehensive Water Resources Investigations, held in Westfield.
3. A meeting of the Izaak Walton League on Fish, Game, and Conservation.
4. A meeting held by the Middlesex County Commissions to see and evaluate their projects.

We are at present studying other parcels and areas in Town which would promote the values stated for Bruuer Pond; also property which if acquired could be held for recreational purposes. The work and goals of all Conservation Commissions throughout the country have been given added importance through recent pronouncements from our government in Washington. We, on the Wilbraham Commission, are pleased to be a part of the Expanded Program desired by Government officials. Time is of the essence in these Conservation matters and we are endeavoring to make our plans accordingly.

G. Milo Green, *Chairman*
Francis Bennett
John Sevey
David Birkhaeuser
Richard Swain
Doris Magruder
Herol Harrington

Dog Officer's Report

A total of 829 dogs were licensed in 1964. This is an increase of 19 over 1963.

Dog bites were on the increase. Fifty-six bites were reported, 15 more than last year. The dogs were quarantined for 10 days as a rabies precaution.

Fifty-one stray dogs were picked up and of these 36 were returned to the owner. Fifteen were disposed of.

Twenty-seven dogs were reported missing by the owners — 16 were recovered.

Fourteen dogs were reported killed by automobiles.

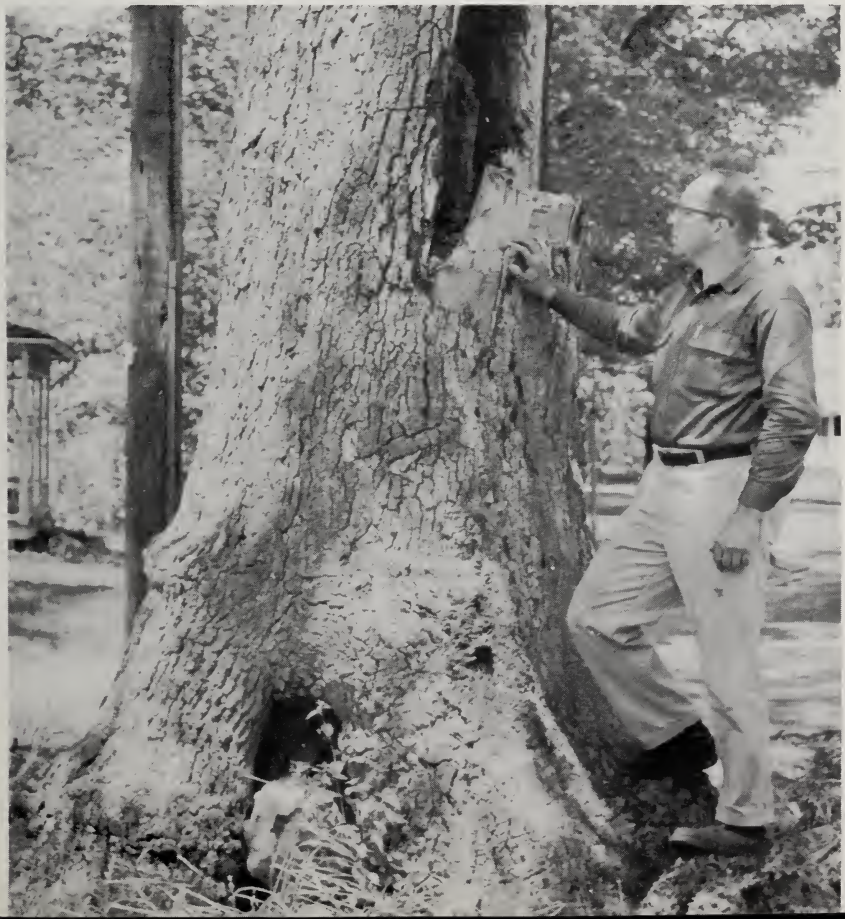
Forty-nine complaints were reported and investigated.

Twenty-six turkeys were killed by dogs as was one dairy cow. The owners were reimbursed by the county.

ROBERT A. CONVERSE

Photo by Bogue

Tree Warden Gordon Long condemns the famous "Mile Tree."



Electrical Inspector

For the period from January 1, 1964 through December 31, 1964, there were 272 electrical permits issued. This is a decrease of 19 permits from 1963 when there were 291 permits issued. The permits for 1964 were issued for the following projects:

125 new residences
54 service increases to 100 ampere
52 additional outlets
16 additional rooms
6 commercial buildings, churches, or schools
11 oil burners (separate from new buildings)
8 electric hot water heaters (separate from new buildings)

WILLIAM E. FITZGERALD, JR.

Forest Warden

Four thousand, three hundred and thirteen (4,313) permits were issued for open air fires. At numerous times of the year, no burning in the open is allowed. For a permit to burn during these periods, dial LY 6-3122 or LY 6-3014. Our emergency telephone LY 6-3111 should not be used for this purpose. The only incinerator that can be used in the open without a permit must be one that releases no sparks or open flame. The wire basket type is not allowed in Wilbraham. If in doubt when purchasing an incinerator, call the Fire Chief for information.

Deputy Forest Wardens: John Leary, John Chrzanowski, Newton Goewey, Steve Lopata, Terrence Reidy, Cyril Woods, Robert Dietz, David Macdonald, Robert Macaulay, Raymond Beach, Jr.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR., *Forest Warden*

Fire Commissioners' Report

Due to the continuing growth of population and increases in property valuation, the Commissioners found it necessary to select new personnel for the Fire Department in order to provide adequate fire protection.

Four new men were added to the roster of the regular department members. One of these men replaced another member who was granted a leave of absence to enter the Armed Services.

In spite of the very dry year that we have experienced, the co-operation of the townspeople and the efficient efforts of our Fire Department, under Chief Tupper's able direction, held our fire losses to a minimum.

JIMMIE D. STAGGS OREN K. GILBERT RUDOLPH L. SHULTS

Fire Department

Telephone number LY 6-3111, our emergency telephone for incoming calls, is to be used for reporting fires, emergencies, and for ambulance service *only*. Keep this number posted by your telephone and dial it yourself, giving your name and address, what type of emergency and stay with the dispatcher until all information is given. By dialing Operator, much delay is involved. *This is very important.*

All other calls pertaining to Fire Department, please dial LY 6-3122 or LY 6-3014.

Fire Loss:	
Buildings (53)	$16,586.59
Contents	7,450.00
Assessed Valuation	698,530.00

Department responded to 432 alarms: 53 buildings, 163 grass and brush, 16 automobiles, 13 dumps, 7 gas spills, 18 miscellaneous, 11 mutual aid out of town, and 147 emergencies.

Sixty-four permits were issued for installation of oil burning equipment, 41 for L. P. gas installations, and 9 permits for dynamite; 201 inspections, 88 extinguishers were recharged. All school and public buildings were inspected quarterly and found in order.

For their cooperation and assistance, I express my heartfelt gratitude to the Fire Dispatchers, the call men, the auxiliary, to the members of the Board of Selectmen, Fire Commissioners, and all others who may have helped during the past year.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR., *Fire Chief*

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Commissioners: Rudolph Shults, Chairman; Oren Gilbert, Jimmie Staggs.

Permanent: Ralph Tupper, Sr., Chief; Cyril Woods, Assistant Chief; Robert Dietz, David Macdonald, Robert Macaulay, Richard Cochran, James Denniss, Daniel Merritt.

Medical Officer: Dr. Richard H. Butler.

First Aid Instructor: Charles Dorey.

Dispatchers: Mary Chapman, Berenice Tupper, Martha Woods.

Call Firemen: Raymond Beach, Jr., Assistant Chief; Roger Whitehill, Captain; Bryant Carpenter, Lieutenant; Andrew Grzybowski, George King, Philip Shaw, Jr., Harold Porter, Clifton Scott, Ronald VonFlatern, William Tupper, Walter Howe, Jr.

Auxiliary Firemen: Fred Herter, Karl Tupper, Leonard VonFlatern, Sr., Patrick Rossall, David Kaynor, Lawrence Godfrey, Richard Motyka, Douglas Beach, John Anderson, Stanley Johnson, Jeff Howe, Gerald Howe, John Campsie, Bruce Sigsbee, Wayne Fisher, Stephen Eisold, John Penso, Lawrence Rose, Kent Folsom, Roger Hitchcock, Brian Dollar, Richard Beane.

Board of Health

During 1964, 17 licensed eating and drinking establishments and nine markets were inspected at least once every two months.

Three day camps, one motel, and six overnight camps or cabins were inspected at least once during the year.

Twenty-eight store milk licenses, 14 milk dealer's licenses, and eight oleomargarine licenses were issued during 1964.

Four public health nuisance complaints were investigated. All were abated satisfactorily.

Sixteen samples of water were obtained and analyzed during the year, 10 from private sources and six from swimming areas.

The town dump was inspected frequently, and since the Board of Selectmen established a modified sanitary fill disposal system, maintenance of the dump has been excellent.

It is recommended, however, that the dump be enlarged for greater ease of dumping during heavy periods of use. In addition, it is recommended that a bulldozer be purchased for use at the dump.

Three extensive sewage problems were investigated. Recommendations have been made, and it is expected that these problems will be solved.

Six other investigations were made concerning other phases of environmental sanitation. In each case, a solution to the problem was found.

As needed, conferences with the Board of Health were held. It is felt that the Board of Health members are doing a fine job.

My sincere thanks to the citizens of Wilbraham and to the Board of Health for the excellent cooperation extended to me in 1964.

JOHN A. BRICKETT, R.S., *Agent-Sanitarian*

1964-1965 Jury List

Archambault, Vic, 49 Brainard Rd., N.W. ..... Mason Contractor
Bedard, Charles J., 92 Manchonis Rd., N.W. ..... Electrician
Blauvelt, Doris C., 913 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Bocchino, Alphonse F., 9 Shirley St., W. ..... Printer
Bogue, Howard C., 2697 Boston Road, N.W. ..... Clerk
Boyce, G. Frederic, 3113 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Printer
Brooks, Marion, 904 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Medical Secretary
Brower, Van Pelt, Jr., 23 Decorie Dr., W. ..... Chemical Engineer
Chapman, Robert H., 2009 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Motel Owner
Chechile, Fred A., 21 Jewell Lane, W. ... Self-employed — floor covering
Chlastawa, Edward J., 65 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Telephone installer
Clark, Edward N., 1215 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Carpenter
DeMarco, John C., 9 Brainard Rd., W. ..... Tube Bender (Neon)
Duplissa, Donald F., 21 Brookmont Dr., W. ..... Insurance

Ersing, Hans E., 34 Glenn Dr., W. ..... Machinist
Fogg, Perry W., 12 Old Orchard Rd., W. ..... Salesman
Frydryk, John A., 23 Dalton St., N.W. ..... Machine Moulder
Gaudette, George R., 4 Wilbraview Dr., W. ..... Interior Decorator
Gensheimer, Henry D., 16 Meadowview Rd., W. ..... Foreman
Gernux, Thomas J., 24 Glenn Dr., W. ..... Brick Layer
Godfrey, Edward H., 787 Ridge Rd., W. ..... Supervisor
Grzybowski, Andrew F., 19 Benton St., N.W. ..... Piper
Handel, Richard W., 107 Springfield St., W. ..... Purchasing Agent
Hazeltine, Benjamin P., 278 Mountain Rd., N.W. .... Chemical Engineer
Hess, John Y., 233 Monson Rd., W. ..... Carpenter
Hunt, Arthur W., 28 Brookside Dr., W. ..... Bank Manager (Branch)
Iwasinski, Theodore, 2379 Boston Rd., N.W. ..... Clerk
Jahn, George A., 1048 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Pattern Maker
LaBroad, Robert J., 1 Ruth Dr., W. ..... Analyst — Hamilton Standard
LaFreniere, Joseph L., 387 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Chemical Operator
Lajzer, John J. S., 13 Sunnyside Ter., W. ..... Die Caster
Lang, Glenford F., 1 Raymond Dr., W. ..... Financial Consultant
Lindell, Carl O., 4 Brooklawn Rd., W. ..... Trucker
Little, Lawson, 477 Dipping Hole Rd., W. ..... Sales Manager
Los, Stanley J., 124 River Rd., N.W. ..... Tool Grinder
Macaulay, Frederick J., 910 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Builder
MacIntire, Wesley, 24 Delmor Ave., W. ..... Mechanic
MacLeod, George V., 9 Chapin Dr., W. ..... Bank Manager (Branch)
Magruder, Doris S., 505 Mountain Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Maiocco, George W., 4 Linwood Dr., W. ..... Manager
McCalligett, James F., 28 Brookdale Dr., W. ..... Toolmaker
Megliola, Anthony M., 14 Rochford Dr., W. ... Insurance Representative
Meregian, Andon A., 41 Brookside Dr., W. ..... Businessman
Merrick, Charles L., 651 Main St., W. ..... Farmer
Nickerson, David L., 27 Leemond St., W. ..... Optical Engineer
O'Neil, George F., 348 Springfield St., W. ..... Cost Accountant
Palmer, Stanley E., 503 Main St., W. ..... Engineer
Pincince, Raymond L., 15 Longview Dr., W. ..... Accountant
Plancon, Eugene R., Chestnut Hill, N.W. ..... Salesman
Porter, Harold E., 520 Main St., W. ..... Insurance
Post, Frederick H., 3 Leemond St., W. ..... Inspector
Prokop, Beatrice D., 7 Bolles Rd., W. ..... Housewife
Scott-Smith, Francis H., 3 Pearl Lane, W. ..... Pilot Plant Operator
Sleith, Samuel W., 17 Nokomis Rd., W. ..... Assistant Manager
Spagnoli, Salvatore J., 5 Wilbraview Dr., W. ..... Businessman
Stagnaro, Charles W., 14 Pease St., W. ..... Machinist
Strohman, Robert A., 32 Pomeroy St., W. ..... Clerk
Strosburg, William A., Cone Trail, W. ..... Printer
Swain, Richard C., 1137 Glendale Rd., N.W. ..... Consultant
Sweetman, Lawrence J., 215 Three Rivers Rd., N.W. ..... Contractor
Swiatek, Ted M., 616 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Tool Engineer
Swiecanski, Stanley H., 131 Stony Hill Rd., W. ..... Carpenter
Trant, Colin A., 76 Crane Hill Rd., N.W. ..... Salesman
Tupper, Karl F., 19 Rochford Dr., W. ..... Electrician
Van Brocklyn, Robert R., 2 Sunset Rock Rd., N.W. ..... Policy Assistant
Welch, John C., Sr., 6 Wilbraview Dr., W. ..... Manager
Wirzbicki, Walter S., 19 Weston St., N.W. ..... Clerk

Report of the Library Trustees

It is with mixed feelings that the Library Trustees report on the year 1964. With pleasurable pride, we can point to greatly increased usage and growth; with deep concern and dismay, we must admit to even greater overcrowding, resulting in further encroachment on our already inadequate study accommodations and open area space for ease of accessibility. Lack of space also has had a direct effect on our book purchasing. The reference collection has been kept much smaller than is desirable for a library of our size, due not only to lack of shelf space, but also to lack of table space at which to use it. In adding volumes, greater emphasis has been placed on books that will circulate so as to ease the shelf problem.

Growthwise, we can report a gain in registrations of 589, or a little better than 17% over 1963. Our circulation showed an increase of 7,396 in the same period: more than a 13% gain.

Our affiliation with the Western Regional Library Service is of increasing importance, with 452 loans made to the library, compared to 197 in 1963, and a bookmobile circulation of 886 (included in our circulation figures).

The two biggest items in plant improvement were the painting of the building and the adding of two double bookcases, resulting in the addition of over 200 feet of shelf space.

Once again the Library is grateful to those many people who contributed books, some of which would not have been available otherwise.

The Trustees also express their appreciation of the high calibre of the staff personnel and the excellent service it has performed.

CLIFFORD W. BURGESS, *Chairman*
MURIEL BOYCE
LESLIE POLK

LIBRARY STATISTICS

Volumes in library, January 1, 1964		16,218
Volumes donated (gifts)	104	
Volumes purchased in 1964	1,266	
	1,370	
Less volumes discarded, lost	495	
	875	
Volumes in library, January 1, 1965		17,093

Personnel Board

It was voted, at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1964 to amend the Town By-Laws to establish a Personnel Board of five members to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

It was also voted to adopt a plan entitled "Personnel Program" outlining a Classification Plan, a Compensation Plan, and a Schedule of Fringe Benefits, as prepared and recommended by the Personnel Study Committee.

The Board held monthly meetings throughout the year and met with governing boards, department heads, and employees. Various matters concerning classification, compensation and fringe benefits, and particularly the administration of the Program were discussed and some new and revised policies, procedures, and regulations were voted.

A review was made of the Salary and Wage Schedules and Benefits of numerous Towns in the Commonwealth, along with similar information from Towns in the immediate area, and comparisons made with the Town Program.

The Board became a member of the Massachusetts Municipal Personnel Board Association, Incorporated and was represented at the Annual Meeting and participated in the exchange of views and information.

HERMAN G. GRANDCHAMP, *Chairman*
MARSHALL E. ROPER, *Secretary*
DARREL S. AMES
JOHN BEMBEN
JOSEPH P. MELL

Pest Control Report

In general we have followed the recommendations of the Massachusetts Department of Natural Resources in our Pest Control activities. The pest control program is aimed at controlling the Dutch elm disease, Gypsy moths, poison ivy, and other such cyclic pests such as cankerworm and forest tent caterpillar which may injure our shade tree population along our highways.

In our Dutch elm work we have conducted a good sampling and sanitation program. Supplementing the removal of diseased trees with a dormant elm spray early in the spring on our more valued elms is, in brief, our elm program. The chemical used to spray the elms was once again Methaxychlor rather than D.D.T. (A material much lower than D.D.T. in toxicity.)

During 1964, 50 elm trees were sampled and sent to the University of Massachusetts Shade Tree Laboratories for testing. All

of these samples contained the Dutch elm disease fungus. These 50 diseased elms were removed in 1964 along with 24 other elms which were either dead or obviously infected. A scouting program conducted in late 1964 resulted in a total of 30 additional "suspected" elms which should be removed before May 1, 1965.

Gypsy moth scouting during 1964 turned up only a minimum number of egg clusters, mostly near the Monson line. The lack of Gypsy moth infestation could be attributed in part to the aerial spray conducted for mosquito control.

The mosquito control program was once again conducted in Wilbraham during 1964. Two sprays were applied by helicopter. This spray program was conducted under the control of the Massachusetts Pesticide Board in the Department of Public Health. Under laws established in 1962 and now in effect, all applicators of pesticides must be licensed by this board before any pesticide can be applied to "land of another."

During 1964, all requests for poison ivy control in public areas were attended to.

GORDON R. LONG

Photo by Rowley

Co-chairmen James Brophy (right) and Gordon Cameron (second from left) of the Wilbraham Interfaith Civil Rights Council shown with two guest speakers at a monthly meeting.

Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission

The hopes and proposals initiated in 1963 saw considerable fulfillment in 1964, though with considerable changes in the original outline. Looking back, it can truly be said that the year was one of solid progress highlighted by the important decisions which led to the key role of the District in the Comprehensive Area Transportation Study. This study, carried on by the Department of Public Works, is an essential requirement for continued Federal aid for highway development; and without the study, the Federal aid would definitely be terminated. Completion of the study by 1966 is likewise essential; and the area is fortunate in having a regional district already formed and operating, ready to participate in the study.

The beginning of 1964 saw the completion and distribution of our generalized soil survey report and map. This is the preliminary work necessary to a particularized study and the areas for that study have already been determined and the contract with the Soil Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture signed. Work on this study is far advanced, and a completed report can be expected early in 1965.

Work was proceeding briskly on our original planning program when we were called upon by the Department of Commerce, the Bureau of Public Roads, the Department of Public Works, and HHFA to play a major role in the Area Transportation Study above referred to. Much rescheduling of work was required and many meetings were devoted to sorting out areas of study between the different agencies, principally to avoid duplication. It is to the credit of all concerned that these matters were successfully concluded and reduced to contract terms by August, and the new direction of our work proceeded apace. The District met this new challenge realistically, was the first to sign the new contract; and, thereunder, the District was the first to produce results, having submitted a traffic zoning and commuting pattern and a Domestic Refuse and Industrial Waste Collection and Disposal Report, all within two months of the final signing. Population studies and employment, trade and industry, health and welfare, and zoning and subdivision control studies are well underway and in most cases will be completed in the first half of 1965.

Our new quarters at the Hampden County Improvement League Building in West Springfield have proved entirely ade-

quate and we are gradually furnishing the office with drafting equipment, etc.

We were pleased with the addition of the Town of Hampden as a member and are earnestly soliciting additional communities to join, particularly Holyoke, South Hadley and Chicopee, and Longmeadow and East Longmeadow. Additional Federal funds hinge on expanded membership.

Two great undertakings face us in 1965, that of providing a professional staff and that of starting comprehensive work on an area development plan. Both go hand in hand. Up to now, The Planning Services Group has served the District extremely well and will continue to do so in 1965. However, to obtain Federal assistance on an Area Development Plan, a local professional planning staff is required. Our chief role in the Area Transportation Study is the development of an overall plan for the entire region, a truly monumental task. We are presently advertising for applicants for either a planning director or an assistant planning director. We sincerely hope for a competent staff and with the help of our excellent consultants to achieve the transition from full-time consultants to full- or at least part-time staff.

A financial report is attached to this report.

EDWARD C. PECK, JR., *Chairman*

FINANCIAL REPORT — 1964

Receipts			
Agawam		$1,257.44	
Hampden		187.60	
Ludlow		1,104.40	
Middlefield		25.20	
Southwick		411.12	
Springfield		13,957.04	
West Springfield		1,993.92	
Westfield		2,104.48	
Wilbraham		590.96	
Total Receipts			$21,632.16
Disbursements			
Rent	$600.00		
Telephone	201.70		
Insurance	80.00		
Office Expenses	36.30		
Total Expenses		$918.00	

Payment to Mass. Dept. of Commerce	$23,883.00		
Survey	1,800.00		
Office Equipment	232.00	25,915.00	
Total Disbursements			$26,833.00
Excess Disbursements over Receipts			5,200.84
Balance of Cash March 17, 1964			17,179.81
Balance of Cash December 31, 1964			$11,978.97

Plumbing Inspector's Report

The Rules and Regulations relative to the construction, alteration, repair, and inspection of plumbing were adopted by the Board of Health on May 12, 1964 and became effective July 1, 1964.

For the period July 1, 1964 through December 31, 1964, a total of 204 permits were issued and are as follows:

62 Septic tank installations
52 Plumbing permits for new dwellings
26 Plumbing permits for alterations or repairs
64 Permits for gas piping

HARRY L. KING, JR.

Planning Board Report

Nineteen sixty-four has been the most active year in some time for both the Planning Board and the entire town with regard to our zoning by-laws and districts. This past year also was marked by the completion and publication of the Master Plan. Along with these activities the Board also adopted several revisions to its Subdivision Rules and Regulations which were designed to upgrade the specifications for new streets.

In order to keep up with the increased work load, the Board began meeting on a regular basis twice each month and holding other special meetings as the need arose. During 1964 the Planning Board held 39 regular and special meetings and approximately 25 other informal meetings. Ten public hearings were held concerning petitions for subdivisions. Four of these were approved, one referred to the Board of Appeals, one was withdrawn at the request of the developer, and four have been disapproved pending more information and corrections as requested by this and other Boards.

After a public hearing, the Planning Board, on March 11, 1964, voted to adopt changes to its Rules and Regulations. The

changes provided for inspection of all new subdivision roads during construction, the retaining of existing trees and the planting of new trees in the tree belt, a new street surface of bituminous concrete, and more rigid specifications for the road base and subbase.

In June, at a Special Town Meeting, the Planning Board presented to the Town, a complete revision to the zoning by-laws and zone districts. The proposed revisions involved not only a complete editing of the existing by-laws but also important changes and new concepts in planning. Residential lot sizes were increased: Cluster Zoning was introduced: Neighborhood Office and Shopping Districts were put under new restrictions; a new Limited Business District was created; and existing zone boundaries relocated. The Board also presented a new format for the by-laws which provided for a more logical grouping and sequence of articles and for future amendments as they become necessary. After four sessions, of what turned out to be the longest Town Meeting in memory, the Town voted to adopt the great majority of the proposed revisions. All revisions were presented to and approved by the Attorney General and went into effect October 16, 1964. The Board was extremely gratified by the acceptance of its recommendations and is confident that the Town is better prepared to meet the expansion certain to come.

Nineteen sixty-four also saw the completion of the Master Plan by Technical Planning Associates. The Planning Board approved and accepted the plan and copies were made available to the townspeople at the cost of reproduction. The Master Plan is a guide for the future. It is not an unalterable document, but rather a framework within which the development of the Town may progress in an orderly and integrated manner. Much statistical data was collected in the preparation of the plan enabling the planner to project the growth and potential of Wilbraham. Its proper use will be to furnish the townspeople and especially the elected officials with an opportunity to better understand areas which may well be affected by today's planning.

The preparation of the zoning changes and the Master Plan involved several people. We would like to acknowledge the efforts of past Planning Board members Mr. Richard H. Morgan, Mr. Bion T. Wheeler, and our Building Inspector, Mr. Anthony Mascaro. Special thanks to Mr. W. Edwin Watkins, Town Counsel, for countless hours, long nights, and Saturdays without

whom we would still be floundering in legal technicalities.

The Board was greatly saddened by the loss of Mr. Leo E. Kuehn. His efforts on behalf of the Planning Board and the Town were instrumental in preserving for Wilbraham, the character and beauty we know and oftentimes take for granted. It is not possible to begin to appreciate his contribution to us.

It is only through the effort and awareness of all citizens that proper planning can be accomplished. We not only invite comments and suggestions; we urge everyone to take an active interest in all Town affairs and decisions.

We are fortunate that Wilbraham is still relatively undeveloped. We are still relatively free from spot zones and non-conforming uses of land. This provides us with the opportunity of planning, at an early stage, for our ultimate population and enables us to plan non-residential zones which will not deteriorate abutting Residential Districts.

Nineteen sixty-four has been a year of tremendous accomplishment, a good beginning, but far from the end result. Please be assured that your Board is aware of its responsibilities and will constantly strive to maintain the character and integrity of our Town.

William E. Leonard, *Chairman*
Herbert P. Daunheimer
William Sullivan, Jr.
James K. Russell
Franklin T. Richardson

Playground Commission Report

This has proven to be a successful year for the playground department. This success can be shared by the people who presented, and the children who participated in the program.

The summer recreation program took place July 6th through August 14th, under the supervision of Mr. Richard Spencer. Adult assistants working under him were Mrs. Jane Meiklejohn, Mr. Joseph VanWest, and Mr. Louis Verani. The young people acting as counselors were Leslie Thompson, Rie Nakashian, Lenore Babineau, and Pat Fleming; while Ann Peterson and Carol Newhouse served as counselors-in-training. Activities took place at Memorial School, Pines School, and Spec Pond, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, five days a week. The portion of the program which took place at Spec Pond was of four weeks duration, and was evenly divided; two weeks for each playground.

Activities carried out during this summer program consisted of an arts and crafts period, group sports such as soccer and baseball, group reading periods, supervised use of playground equipment, and group games. The program at Spec Pond taught the rudiments of water safety, use of boats and canoes, and nature study. This was the second year that Spec Pond was used by the playground department in its program. This four-week period was conducted concurrently with the regular Lions Club full summer program. It was received most enthusiastically and will be continued in 1965.

The Commission carried out normal maintenance procedures on our two fields, Memorial and Grassy Hollow, including application of fertilizer and weed killer. Groundskeeping of the baseball diamonds was carried out in cooperation with the many baseball leagues using these facilities. Assistance was given the members of the Wilbraham Heights Community Association in their development of Town property on Manchonis Road Extension as a neighborhood play area. This group has shown real initiative in bringing this project to completion, and the Playground Commission is happy to participate in this type of neighborhood improvement.

In November a survey questionnaire was circulated through the school department to parents of all children, 1st through 6th grades. The purpose of this questionnaire was to determine the desirability of certain long-range projects in the area of recreation. Expression of public sentiment as regards the present program was solicited, and the response was taken into consideration in planning the 1965 program. The survey pointed up a serious lack of knowledge of the recreation program on the part of many residents of the Town. A brochure outlining the various town sponsored, and group sponsored activities will be prepared and distributed to all residents in the coming year.

The Commission wishes to extend thanks to the Highway Department, Fire Department, School Department, Police Department, Library Department, St. Cecilia's Men's Club, and Spec Pond Recreation Area Staff for their cooperation in carrying out our program. The Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Agard, has been most cooperative in working with playground personnel during the summer program. Plans are well underway for an even bigger year in 1965,

TRUMAN R. SWALLOW, *Chairman* HAROLD LOVERING, JR.
WILLIAM J. MILLER

Police Department

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1964.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief, John S. Leary. *Sergeant,* John J. Chrzanowski. *Regular Patrolmen:* Newton W. Goewey, Jr., Terrence T. Reidy, Alton L. McDonald. *Reserve Patrolmen:* Stephen E. Lopata, Albert R. Gouvin, Jr., John Y. Hess. *Auxiliary Police:* Sgt. John J. Connor, Sgt. Wellington C. Rose, Sgt. Ralph M. Kilcourse, Sgt. Emeric J. Wyzik, Joseph Cloutier, Lawrence P. Cloutier, Edward E. Dearborn, Frederick J. Macaulay, Morrison Marelli, Howard S. McIntosh, Donald A. Bump, Robert A. Converse, Richard C. Swain, Walla Paradis, Alexander Murphy, William H. Rademaekers, Richard L. Poulin, Phillip Britten, Arthur W. Hunt, Jr., Stanley J. Pabis, John Ward, Walter S. Wirzbicki, Harold R. Hartman, Alfred E. Patrie. *School Traffic Officers:* Mrs. Mary Strycharz, Mrs. Helen Christensen, Mrs. Marjorie Goewey, Mrs. Joan Zeliwicz, Mrs. Pearle A. Treat.

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR

Crimes Against the Person: Assault and Battery, 3. *Crimes Against Property:* Breaking and Entering, 8; Larceny, 2; Using a Motor Vehicle without Authority, 2. *Crimes Against the Public Order, etc.:* Disturbing the peace, 14; Drunkenness, 7; Driving while intoxicated, 4; Operating so as to endanger, 24; Operating an unregistered and uninsured vehicle, 16; Operating without a license, 6; Speeding, 50; Passing over solid line, 26; No sticker, 8; Red Light violations, 6; Stop sign violations, 15; School bus violations, 2; Lewdness, 1; Fugitive from justice, 1; Operating a motor vehicle after suspension or revocation, 2; Vagrancy, 4; Giving a false name to a police officer, 2; Accosting a person of the opposite sex, 1; Illegal fireworks, 1. Total, 207. *Disposition of Cases:* Fined, 157; Filed, 18; Probation, 12; Sentenced to House of Correction, 14; Sentenced to Youth Service Board, 2; Bridgewater (viol. of prob.), 1; Cases pending, 2; Found not guilty, 1. Total, 207.

Total Amounts of Fines and Sentences: Fines imposed, $2,390.00; House of Correction, 57 months; Probation, 21 years.

In addition to the arrests listed there were 62 juveniles apprehended. Twenty of these cases were brought to court and 42 were handled out of court.

Persons reported missing, 8; Lost persons located and returned to their homes, 8; Summonses served for other departments, 599; Complaints received and investigated, 446; Other investigations, 235; Suspicious persons and cars investigated, 43; Street lights reported not burning, 38; Homes vacant and cared for, 440; Buildings found open and secured, 122; Defective streets and sidewalks reported, 12; Persons taken in charge and sent home, 18; Fires reported, 8; Pistol permits issued (including 1 Dealer's Permit), 70; Accident report copies requested and submitted, 95; Total value of lost and stolen property recovered, $18,621.50.

During the year, 38 persons were transported to hospitals and doctor's offices in the police cruiser. There were 9 cases where the oxygen equipment was used.

There were 134 traffic accidents, of which 80 were property damage only, 54 personal injury accidents in which there were 101 persons injured, including 5 fatalities. Of the 183 cars involved, 122 were operated by out-of-town persons, and 61 by town residents

The following is a summary of the motor vehicle cases handled the past year.

Passing where view obstructed, 26; Failing to stop for a school bus, 2; No sticker, 8; Failing to stop at stop signs, 15; Speeding, 50; Passing a red light, 6; Driving after drinking, 6; Operating without a license, 6; Altering or forging a driver's license, 2; Operating under the influence, 4; Leaving the scene of an accident, 2; Failing to keep within marked lanes, 5; Using a motor vehicle without authority (summons), 2; Following too closely, 1; Operating an unregistered and uninsured motor vehicle, 16; Spilling load on highway, 3; Operating after suspension or revocation, 4; Failure to use care in turning, 1; Using a motor vehicle without authority after suspension or revocation, 2; Operating so as to endanger, 24; Cases prosecuted in district court, 149; Cases referred to the Registry of Motor Vehicles, 40; Cases filed with warnings, 127.

These statistics compare favorably in most instances with those of 1963, the exception being the number of complaints received and investigated. This is due to the growth of the community. The Police Department appreciates the cooperation of the townspeople in the various activities which were undertaken during 1964; one of which was the State Convention hosted by the Polish-American Veteran's Club, Inc., which brought another large crowd to this community.

A resuscitator which was presented to the Police Department by the Polish-American Veteran's Club, Inc. has been used on numerous occasions and is greatly appreciated by all of our citizens.

1964 was a year in which this department made a great stride forward with the addition of a second cruiser, giving the community additional coverage. Another patrolman, Alton L. McDonald, was appointed a regular from the reserve ranks by the Selectmen. Patrolman McDonald took the training provided at the State Police Academy in Framingham, which every member has now taken. Last year also provided a clerk on a part-time basis and Mabel Dautrich assumed that position in April.

As pointed out in last year's report there exists a definite need for additional personnel and equipment. In order that we may provide adequate police protection on a modified basis my recommendation is that two full-time patrolmen be added this year; which will give us the manpower to have at least one man on the road during each of the twenty-four (24) hours. The modification to this is that there still exists a communication problem and the Board of Selectmen, as Police Commissioners, and myself are presently studying the ways and means of implementing adequate facilities at minimum cost.

In conclusion, I wish to gratefully acknowledge the cooperation I have received from the Board of Selectmen and all other departments of the Town.

JOHN S. LEARY, *Chief of Police*

Photo by Bogue

European guests who visited Wilbraham through the Association for World Travel Exchange planted a tree as a permanent memento of their stay. These young people were camp councilors from England, Germany and Austria.

Report of Power Line Committee

A Power Line Committee was again appointed by the Selectmen to continue to assist them in the discussion with the Western Massachusetts Electric Company relative to the building of 345,000 volt power lines on a 250-foot right of way through Wilbraham.

The Department of Public Utilities had granted public convenience and necessity in January of 1963, and a public hearing on granting the right of eminent domain was held in September of 1963. As no decision had been rendered at the time of the appointment of the committee, a letter was sent to each land owner requesting a reply as to the status of their property and whether they were interested in continuing resistance to the company's proposal. Less than half the owners replied, and about one third indicated they were about to reach a settlement.

On December 10, 1964, the Department of Public Utilities granted the Western Massachusetts Electric Company the right of eminent domain to acquire the route. The decision did deny the additional 100 feet of cutting rights requested by the company. The Commission further noted that of the six property owners who had made oral statements at the hearing in objection to the company's request, five had reached agreement. Several of these had been appeased by moving the line a small distance from the original proposal. The order also indicated the company had acquired four-fifths of the necessary land.

The D.P.U. eminent domain decision was discussed with a member of the Attorney General's staff in December, 1964. It was his opinion that a successful appeal of the decision might be made to the Supreme Judicial Court, but the matter would only be returned to the D.P.U. for further consideration. This, in his opinion, would result in a similar decision by the D.P.U. Commissioners. He did say that had the Town of Hampden supported Wilbraham, the Western Massachusetts Electric Company's project would probably have been defeated. It was his recommendation to follow the advice of our attorneys. Town Counsel, W. Edwin Watkins and Special Counsel Frederick S. Pillsbury recommended that no appeal be made since no lasting gain could be made to offset the cost.

Before voting not to appeal, the Committee and Selectmen formulated a set of regulations for presentation to Western Massachusetts Electric Company. After negotiations, the company

agreed to a number of these including additional tree plantings; type of spray to be used to control vegetation; permission to lay storm or sewer pipes in the right of way; removal of dead undergrowth, and shielding of the lines if there is any television or radio interference.

Although the Utility Company must obtain several more favorable decisions before the power lines may be erected, the action of the Ludlow and Hampden Selectmen as well as the acquirement of the land from the owners has left little doubt as to the outcome. The Committee wishes to thank the many individuals for their support and assistance during the past several years. We shall continue to exert as much influence as possible on the erection of these power lines to reduce the impact on our residential areas.

Edward Godfrey, *Chairman*
Roger Hintze, *Vice Chairman*
Clifford Burgess
Andrew Duzick
Vernon Farnsworth
James Russell
James Saxe
Raymond Trombley

Sanitary Sewer Study Committee

At the 1964 Annual Town Meeting, the Selectmen of the Town of Wilbraham were authorized to form a Sanitary Sewer Study Committee to study, with Tighe and Bond, the sewage problems of North Wilbraham. More specifically, this committee was to find a solution to the problem of dumping raw sewage into the Chicopee River in the vicinity of the Cottage Street bridge.

The Committee received quotations from Tighe and Bond for the estimated costs of their engineering work. An Article in the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held in June, 1964 requesting $2,500 was subsequently approved by the voters of the Town. This $2,500 expenditure was to cover the costs of flow measurement, sewage analysis, site survey, and engineering.

Contracts were drawn up between Tighe and Bond and the Town of Wilbraham and were duly approved. The engineering work was started during the summer of 1964 and a preliminary report submitted to the Committee in November. This was returned to Tighe and Bond early in January, 1965 for minor revisions and submission of their final engineering analysis.

The Committee determined that the best solution to the specific problem of North Wilbraham would be the construction of a small aeration plant west of the former Collins Paper Mill. The installation would cost approximately $53,000. This solution, however, ignores the present problems of sewage disposal in West Wilbraham. For this reason, the Committee feels that the solution to this problem should not be implemented at this time without considering the overall sewage disposal needs of the Town. The Committee, therefore, recommends that a general survey of the Town's sewage disposal problem be made so that the necessary facilities may be properly sized and located.

William Schickler, *Chairman*
Robert Chapman
Charles Dorey
Edward Godfrey
David McIntosh
Charles Sheline

Sealer of Weights and Measures

During 1964 the following measuring devices were tested and sealed: Heavy scales, 5; Medium scales, 9; Small scales, 53; Avoirdupois weights, 15; Apothecary weights, 17; Metric weights, 31; Gasoline pumps, 40; Oil truck meters, 9; Lubricating oil pumps, 1.

No sizeable change in the number of devices to be tested is anticipated in the near future.

Charles L. Merrick, *Sealer*

Slaughtering Inspector's Report

A total of two pigs were slaughtered this year. Most animals have been taken elsewhere to be slaughtered the past few years.

Robert A. Converse

Spec Pond Report

The Spec Pond recreation area completed its sixth year of operation in 1964. As in the preceding years, the demand for its facilities by the townspeople has continued to grow. The year also saw expansions and major improvements made.

Spec Pond operated for 13 weeks on a 10-hour day basis. The staff included five full-time lifeguards and two caretakers. The lifeguard staff was of the highest caliber and deserving of much

credit for the excellent way they supervised and protected the children of the community.

Attendance during the year was well over the 40,000 mark. About 400 town children took advantage of the swimming instruction provided by our lifeguard staff. The classes ranged from beginning to advanced swimming. A swimming team was organized and competed successfully with other groups in Springfield and Hampden. The fifth annual water carnival was held with all forms of competitive races for our children. It was by far the largest and most successful carnival.

The town-sponsored playground recreational program again used the facilities of the Pond for a four-week period. This provided an excellent adjunct to their program and it appears that this will continue at the Pond in future summers.

In order to accommodate the growing use of the area by the townspeople, the beach was expanded towards the east about 60 yards, making the beach about one-third again as large.

The Lions Club membership this year undertook to construct a pavilion for children and families using Spec Pond. The construction started in May and an Open House was held on July 4. The building almost immediately provided shelter from several sudden thunderstorms. Various scout and civic groups found a greater use for the area with this added protection and held overnight camping programs. It is estimated that the pavilion is worth about $22,000 if built by private contractors. The local Lions membership, besides contributing $1,200 in personal money, arranged to obtain the needed material and funds by donations and other contributions from townspeople and various businesses.

The area is under the supervision of the Wilbraham Lions Club, resulting in no expense to the town.

William Sullivan, Jr., *Chairman*
Jesse M. Canerdy
Frederick J. Cummings
Earle W. Decorie
Robert A. Edwards
Anthony J. Mascaro
Frank G. Shannis
Truman R. Swallow

LIONS CLUB OF WILBRAHAM

Financial Standing as of December 31, 1964

SPEC POND ACCOUNT

	Receipts	*Expense*
Cash Balance as of Dec. 31, 1963	$2,215.32	
Interest Ludlow Savings Bank	68.85	
Insurance on Vandal Repairs	55.00	
1963 Rent Concession Stand	200.00	
Wilbraham Policemen's Ball	75.00	
Wilbraham Firemen's Ball	100.00	
Miscellaneous Income	15.00	
Amount Subscribed 720 Families	5,874.42	
Payroll — Employees		$3,630.00
Insurance		167.78
Plumbing		133.80
Contract Labor		700.00
Printing Envelopes, Postage		248.29
Electric Lights and Telephone		134.38
Internal Revenue — F.I.C.A.		131.37
Contingencies		209.85
Trans. to Building Fund — Pavilion		2,100.00
Hauling Sand		398.00
Vandal Repairs		104.50
Lumber and Paint		139.66
Cash Balance in Bank		505.96
	$8,603.59	$8,603.59

WILBRAHAM LIONS MEMORIAL FUND
PAVILION ACCOUNT

	Receipts	*Expense*
Money Received from Wilbraham Lions Members	$1,540.00	
Trans. from Lions Spec Pond Account	2,100.00	
Townspeople, Businessmen, Friends	2,862.07	
General Building Expense		$6,259.22
Cash in Bank — Held for Misc. Work		242.85
	$6,502.07	$6,502.07

F. J. CUMMINGS, *Treasurer*

Sketch by Stevens

The new pavilion at Spec Pond.

Interim Report of the Study Committee on Town Government Administration

Article 40 in the March, 1964 Annual Town Meeting Warrant provided for a Study Committee to evaluate the advisability of establishing a Department of Public Safety, a Department of Public Works, or any other phase of Town Government Administration that the Committee deems advisable to consider. The Committee was organized and after numerous meetings, extentive reading on various phases of government, and investigation of the activities of several similar sized communities relative to this subject, it became clear that an all-inclusive recommendation could not be made at this time.

From the outset the Committee recognized certain basic facts which it feels must be accepted in any approach to the study:

1. Wilbraham is a growing town and its administrative set-up must at all times keep pace with this growth.
2. Any suggested changes must be (a) needed currently, (b) fit into an overall plan, and (c) have flexibility to meet changing circumstances in the future.

Our Town Government has expanded over the years with adjustments and additions being made as the situation required. This type of growth, however, is bound to leave gaps, create overlaps, and develop additional problems not conducive to efficient administration. It is obvious that the type of organization which was adequate for a town of 2500 residents will not be adequate for a town of 25,000 which our Master Planners estimate we may reach in the 1980's. Consequently, this Committee must evaluate the long-range picture; not to create today what will be needed in the 1980's, but rather to be certain that what is changed or added as we grow will not be in conflict with the probable needs of the large town we will eventually become.

The Committee is investigating all phases of Town Government Administration; *i.e.,* Town Manager versus Executive Secretary type of government, the need and timing for representative town meetings, the need for a Department of Public Safety, etc. We plan to visit various towns where certain types of government are now operating to determine what would be best for Wilbraham and make recommendations subject to your approval. A certain system in one town will not necessarily work in another town, because all towns are not alike. Each of the 312 towns in

Massachusetts has a distinct personality and, therefore, no single organizational framework would be acceptable to all. This is why we as a Committee must of necessity study all types of organizational structures to devise and recommend for our Town the type of administrative arrangement that will equate practicality and economy with efficiency. Our once small Town is changing and changing very rapidly. We are fast becoming a part of a vast metropolitan area, and we must solve our problems if we are to enjoy capable, efficient, and economical government. We can not permit our government to become unwieldy and difficult to administer. We hope our study will produce many ideas and suggestions for your future consideration. With proper modification of the various phases of government, we can maintain a type that will continue to be close to its people because we believe this is best for the citizens of Wilbraham.

We as a Committee plan to consult the Bureau of Government Research at the University of Massachusetts for further information about current administrative problems and their possible solution based on today's growth of towns adjacent to a metropolitan city. Furthermore, there is new State legislation each year that must be considered in any long-range plan for our Town. All ideas will be studied and any recommendations will be brought before the townspeople for their careful consideration.

However, we can not afford to overlook current problems while we compile the whole picture. We, therefore, are submitting this interim recommendation to be considered immediately to provide for today's needs and make more efficient the operation of our present system of government administration.

The Committee met with your Selectmen to determine the immediate problems that should be investigated and what measures, if adopted, would relieve the present pressures and demands on any particular department. We determined that priority should be given to the question of a "Town Engineer" who might be assigned eventually to a Department of Public Works but presently would handle the problems and requirements of the Highway Department and other related operations. A "Town Engineer" would likewise furnish your Selectmen with the necessary engineering detail that is required in "laying out streets," "laying out sidewalks," "studying surface drainage needs," "checking subdivisions," and other related matters where the services of an engineer are required. Our Planning Board's "Mas-

ter Plan" indicated a tremendous growth for our Town in the next twenty years. There will be many more streets, sidewalks, and surface drainage systems to layout and build, as well as the start of a new sanitary sewer system which the state will require the town to build almost immediately. While we are not at all positive at this moment that a Department of Public Works would provide the solution to all of the problems which exist, we very definitely have concluded that a sound first step would be the employment of a well qualified licensed engineer, preferably one with experience in town government. This individual may eventually head-up a Department of Public Works when approval of such a department is given by the townspeople.

The Committee feels that in addition to vastly increased efficiency of operations there is also an economic justification for such an engineer based on costs of engineering services now being rendered to the Town. Our Town Accountant has furnished the Committee with engineering costs for the past three years. We have anticipated that the total engineering work could not be done by a Town Engineer. We have, therefore, adjusted the figures to conform only to the needs of the Highway Department.

Year	Total Engineering Cost	Adjusted Cost (Highway, etc.)
1962	$6,202.45	$5,384.00
1963	9,877.77	9,036.74
1964	10,816.05	10,669.15

A Town Engineer would be available to our Planning Board and our Water Commissioners if needed, and if time in his assigned duty is available, until such time as a Department of Public Works is a reality.

Our only recommendation for March, 1965 is to have you consider — and we sincerely recommend — the advisability of directing your Selectmen to hire a qualified engineer who will be known as the Town Engineer. We are satisfied that this fundamental step will be required in any future plan that might be adopted for our Town. Your acceptance of such a plan will be one step towards development of an efficient operation in this phase of our government.

ROGER T. HINTZE, *Chairman*
FREDERICK M. COHN, *Secretary*
ERNEST W. FURNANS
ALBERT H. HOWES
ALBERT E. NEALE
SARKIS SERDARIAN

Tree Warden

The year 1964 could be classified as tragic to our history- and tree-conscious townspeople. The summer of 1964 saw the removal of the "Mile Tree," a mammoth white oak located at Main Street and Tinkham Road crossing. This tree was of particular historical significance as described by our recent "Town History." We were also saddened to see the removal of 12 large sugar maples from the tree belts of our town, most of them on Main Street. These trees had become over-mature and as they became hazards we removed them. It saddens us greatly from an aesthetic point of view and also because of the huge bite each removal takes from our limited budget.

A few storms early in the year did not exact a high toll on our trees. However, a severe heavy wet snow and ice storm on December 5, 1964 required extensive tree work in the mountain road areas. This storm will necessitate tree surgery well into 1965 to repair the damage. Severe drought conditions of the past few years is adversely affecting our shade tree program. Once again we ask townspeople to water the young shade trees during these dry periods.

As for statistics during 1964, we removed 34 trees from our tree belts for various reasons. Most of these were diseased, split, rotten, or otherwise hazardous. Many trees were removed from the tree belts to allow for sidewalk construction in certain areas. We compliment the sidewalk planners for preserving a large number of trees wherever possible along our new sidewalks.

The pruning and removal of dangerous limbs along many of our roads was continued during 1964.

Sixty-six trees were set out along our highways during the year. During the past four years a total of 258 new trees have been set out along our tree belts.

Regular maintenance trimming along telephone utility wires was accomplished in 1964 without incident. This trimming was supervised by the tree warden.

Our future aims are to continue the maintenance of our existing shade tree population while extending whenever possible the tree planting program along our tree belts.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Highway Superintendent, Herbert Butler, for his help and to my assistant, Richard C. Swain, for his efforts on behalf of the town.

Gordon R. Long

Veterans' Service Department Report

The following report is submitted for the year ended December 31, 1964:

	1964	%	1963	%
Expenditures:				
Ordinary Benefits	$6,943.05	62.4	$4,362.30	95.8
Burial Allowance	250.00	2.2		
Hospitalization and/or Medical	3,938.05	35.4	191.40	4.2
Total Expenditure for Veterans' Benefits	11,131.10	100.0	4,553.70	100.0
Administrative Expenses	113.35		67.03	
Total Expenditure	11,244.45		4,620.73	
Less: Recoveries of Veterans' Benefits	460.00		680.48	
Net Expenditure	$10,784.45		$3,940.25	

During 1964 fourteen (14) cases were aided. The analysis above reflects the increased cost and its distribution.

All cases aided were Wilbraham settled (5 years or more residence in Wilbraham). In view of this a net reimbursement of 50% of the total expenditure for Veterans' Benefits, net of recoveries, for 1964 can be expected from the State.

All veterans residing in Town are invited to avail themselves of the services of this office. Office hours are from 7:00 to 9:00 each Monday evening at the Town Hall, East Longmeadow.

GEORGE A. DUSENBERRY, *Agent*

Water Commissioners' Report

In 1964, 47 new services were added to the water system, compared to 100 for 1963; about 63% of the homes and businesses in Wilbraham are now on the system.

The Water Board has had splendid cooperation from the new owners of the Craigwood development. All questionable sections of the water installation were excavated and correctly reinstalled under the supervision of Tighe and Bond of Holyoke, consulting engineers for the Water Department. The entire cost of the installation and supervision has been paid for by the owners.

In October, water bills were sent out for the first time on the six months billing basis. In the March to September period, usually more than half the water for a year is consumed; in addition, this was an unusually dry summer, all of which resulted in gen-

erally larger water bills. The September to March period should produce smaller bills. The Water Board appreciates the subscribers' cooperation with this change which is resulting in a more efficient Water Department operation.

The Water Board has concluded the Ground Water Search Program authorized by the townspeople in 1962. Of the many sites tested throughout the Town, the best source of water was found in the Spec Pond area, now owned by the Town. Tighe & Bond has estimated that the well can produce a million gallons of water daily, nearly twice our present average daily needs. This valuable resource will be preserved for future needs.

An article in the Warrant this year asks the townspeople to consider expending about $195,000 to extend the water mains to the south part of town. Starting at Mile Oak Corner, the proposed main would extend westerly in Tinkham Road to Stony Hill Road, then northerly in Stony Hill Road, connecting to the end of the existing main. Also, it would extend southerly in Rochford Drive from Tinkham Road, going through Loring Drive to Soule Road, then easterly in Soule Road to Main Street, returning in Main Street to Mile Oak Corner. With the recent increase in population density in this area and the potential increase from the land still available for development, the future could bring a community sanitation problem. This problem can be met by installing a sanitary sewer and disposal plant; or by extending the water mains. The Water Board believes that by extending the water mains now this problem will be minimized, since future developments would be connected to the water system. Of course these new developments would be connected to the water mains at the developer's expense in conformity with the current rules for sub-divisions. The town would raise the money through a ten-year bond issue, which would be repaid from the earnings of the Water Department. In other words, the annual excess income over disbursements from the Water Department operations is sufficient to meet the annual payments of the principal and interest on this debt.

The cost of providing water to this area would be only a fraction of the cost of installing a sanitary sewer system. The Water Board believes this to be in the best interests of the town and urges the townspeople to vote for this article.

WILLIAM R. HANNAH, *Chairman* DAVID M. MCINTOSH, JR.
WILLARD P. WILLIS, JR.

Public Welfare Department Report

Following is the report for the Board of Public Welfare for the year ending December 31, 1964:

Category	Cases Jan. 1, 1964	Applied 1964	Cases Closed 1964	Active Dec. 31, 1964
Old Age Assistance	25	9	10	24
Medical Assistance for the Aged	18	13	16	15
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	7	6	5	8
Disability Assistance	5	5	3	7
General Relief	3	11	11	3
Total	58	44	45	57

Category	Expended 1963	Expended 1964	Direct to Recipient	Medical Payments	Local Share—1964 (after Federal and State Reimbursement)
Old Age Assist.	$28,684.66	$27,192.70	$23,943.30	$3,249.40	$2,974.90
Medical Assistance for the Aged	33,242.06	29,712.54	915.00	28,797.54	305.00* 4,799.60†
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	17,766.41	20,046.03	16,882.90	3,163.13	4,940.50
Disability Assistance	3,994.90	8,261.96	4,270.05	3,991.91	2,065.50
General Relief	4,451.54	4,725.75	1,072.00	3,653.75	3,780.60
Total	$88,139.57	$89,938.98	$47,083.25	$42,855.73	$18,866.10

* Direct to Recipient
† Medical Payments

During the past year we have worked cooperatively with the School Department and various Church and Civic organizations. The generosity evidenced by these groups made it possible to furnish Summer Camperships for a number of youngsters and to provide additional assistance to several families at Thanksgiving and Christmas time.

Our Office is located at the Town Hall in East Longmeadow and the services of our Staff are available to all residents of the Town.

EAST LONGMEADOW - WILBRAHAM WELFARE DISTRICT

Report for the year ending December 31, 1964:

Balance on hand January 1, 1964		$5,267.15
Receipts during 1964:		
Federal funds	$11,191.28	
State funds	4,222.58	
East Longmeadow share	2,080.00	
Wilbraham share	1,920.00	
State Tax Compensation	11.67	
Total receipts		19,425.53
Total funds available		$24,692.68
Administrative expenses		21,151.58
Balance on hand, January 1, 1965		$3,541.10

The total amount of $4,000.00 shared by both Towns for the administration of the District Office was based on a percentage of active cases in each Town.

East Longmeadow	52% or $2,080.00
Wilbraham	48% or $1,920.00

The Staff of the Welfare District Office wish to extend their appreciation to Mr. Sidney Low of Wilbraham and Mr. Gerard Pellegrini of East Longmeadow for their very able assistance as members of the Prudential Committee which supervises the Administration of the Welfare District.

HELEN M. SWEENEY, *Director*

Report of Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 14, 1964

In accordance with the Warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Minnechaug High School Auditorium, Wilbraham.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Ernest W. Furnans, Jr. at 10 a.m. It was noted that there were more than 20 persons present; therefore a quorum. The following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator: George G. Canney, Head Teller; Joseph D. Connelly, Charles H. Sheline, Richard Meehan, Bruce A. Stephens, Robert P. Ensign, Rita K. Long, and Theresa C. Boylan.

NOTE: Prior to taking up Articles, the Board of Selectmen announced that on March 13, 1964, the Board presented the gold-headed cane to Mr. George Armstrong, 347 Springfield Street, as the oldest resident of Wilbraham. The cane was presented to Mr. Armstrong at his home since his failing eye-sight would prevent him from attending Town Meeting. Mr. Armstrong became 93 years of age on March 1, 1964.

ARTICLE 1. To choose one Poundkeeper; two Measurers of Wood and Charcoal; two Surveyors of Lumber; three Field Drivers; two Weighers of Grain — all for the term of one year.

Town Officers elected by unanimous vote were as follows: Poundkeeper, Robert A. Converse; Measurers of Wood and Charcoal, Walter H. Clark, Edward P. Lindsay; Surveyors of Lumber, Walter H. Clark, Jesse L. Rice; Field Drivers, Benjamin F. Griffin, Peter Presz, Leonard F. VonFlatern, Sr.; Weighers of Grain, Weldon G. Jameson, Jesse L. Rice.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer, and other officers or committees.

Voted unanimously to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer, and other officers or committees, as printed in the Town Report.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1964 and ending March 31, 1965.

Voted unanimously to fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1964 and ending March 31, 1965 as follows: Town Clerk, $2,600.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,600.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meeting, $15.00 Special Town Meetings; Town Collector, $4,524.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden, $1.75 per hour ($2.00 per hour for use of truck when needed); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00 per year, Chairman, $650.00; Assessors, $1.50 per hour; Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library

Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Tax of 1963.

Voted unanimously that $1,139.79 the Town's share of the Dog Tax for 1963 be added to the Library appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee together with the appropriations recommended by them and to raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for defraying the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and appropriate the same and vote how the same shall be raised.

Voted unanimously that the Town accept the report of the Finance Committee and raise and appropriate the sum of $1,776,201.29 to cover the necessary operating expenses of the Town for the ensuing year per itemized list of appropriations on Page 134 to Page 139 inclusive of the Annual Report of 1963: GENERAL GOVERNMENT — Selectmen, $10,639.00; Accounting Department, $8,790.00; Town Treasurer, $5,541.00; Town Collector, $9,722.00; Board of Assessors, $13,497.00; Town Clerk, $4,083.00; Legal, $7,090.00; (this Legal item was amended from original figure of $4,175.00 to include $2,915.00 for Land Damage Cost and Associated Expenses; thus the total of $7,090.00); Elections and Town Meeting Expense, $3,088.00; Registrars of Voters, $1,262.00; Planning Board, $4,498.00; Town Office and Building Maintenance, $5,993.00; Town Auditor, $50.00; Total General Government, $71,338.00. PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY — Police Department, $37,062.00; Fire Department, $48,052.00; Pest Control, $1,500.00; Dead Wood, $3,500.00; Forest Warden, $900.00; Aid to Agriculture, $125.00; Tree Warden, $4,000.00; Civil Defense, $1,600.00; Dog Officer, $150.00; Building Inspector, $3,200.00; Wiring Inspector, $1,460.00; Sealer of Weights and Measures, $315.00; Board of Appeals, $905.00; Total Protection of Persons and Property, $102,769.00. HEALTH AND SANITATION — Board of Health, $20,600.00; Mosquito Control, $2,600.00; Inspector of Ani-

mals, $65.00; Inspector of Slaughtering, $50.00; Total Health and Sanitation, $23,315.00. HIGHWAYS — Highway Department, $63,910.00; Road Machinery Operating Account, $8,000.00; Street Lights, $9,970.00; Total Highways, $81,880.00. CHARITIES — Department of Public Welfare, Administration, $1,075.85; Aid: General Relief, $5,000.00; Old Age Assistance, $28,000.00; Aid to Dependent Children, $10,000.00; Disability Assistance, $4,500.00; Total Charities, $48,575.85. SOLDIERS' BENEFITS — Veterans' Service Department (including aid), Total $6,000.00. SCHOOLS — Local, $752,423.00; Hampden-Wilbraham Regional, $430,184.96; Total Schools, $1,182,607.96. LIBRARY — Total, $26,377.21. RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS — Parks, $475.00; Playgrounds, $5,885.00; Community Program, $6,480.00; Memorial and Independence Day, $200.00; Total Recreation and Celebrations, $13,040.00. PENSIONS — Assessment, Hampden County Retirement System, Total, $13,642.77. UNCLASSIFIED — Printing Town Reports, $3,600.00; Insurance and Bonding, $9,800.00; Industrial Development, $600.00; Total Unclassified, $14,000.00. PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE — Water Department, Maintenance, Total, $30,463.00. CEMETERIES — Total, $2,375.00. MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST — Maturing Debt, School Bonds, $130,000.00; Water Bonds, $5,000.00; Maturing Interest, School Bonds, $18,895.00; Water Bonds, $1,207.50; Temporary Loan Interest, $1,800.00; Total Maturing Debt and Interest, $156,902.50.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $26,800.00, or any other sum, for the use of the Highway Department under Chapter 81 Highway Program and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, and upon completion of the work the reimbursement of the State's share, namely $18,425.00 to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $27,002.00, or any other sum, for the use of

the Highway Department under Chapter 90 Construction Program and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury and upon completion of the work the reimbursement of the County and State's share, namely $20,250.00 to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $7,502.00, or any other sum, for the use of the Highway Department under Chapter 90 Maintenance Program and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, and upon completion of the work the reimbursement of the County and State's share, namely $5,000.00 to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $17,057.08, or any other sum, for the construction of Soule Road, from Stony Hill Road running westerly to East Longmeadow Road for a distance of 1,800 feet, more or less, and that in addition the said sum be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury and the reimbursement from the State of $8,528.54 under Chapter 782, Acts of 1962, and $8,528.54 under Chapter 822, Acts of 1963, be restored upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way that portion of Joan Street not previously accepted, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 4, 1964; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, and that the sum of $1,815.00, or any other sum, be raised and appropriated for construction of said Joan Street, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto. (935 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Park Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on January 21, 1964, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (500 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as South Park Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on January 21, 1964, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (625 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way that portion of Brookmont Drive not previously accepted, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 11, 1964; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, and to abandon as a public way any portion of said Brookmont Drive lying outside of the said layout dated February 11, 1964. Said abandonment having already been approved by the Planning Board. No appropriation being necessary therefor.

Voted unanimously.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,000.00, or any other sum, less turn-in value, for the purchase of a 2½ Ton Truck, with two-way radio for the use of the Highway Department, $7,100.00 to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund, and determine whether the balance of the money, namely $900.00, is to be provided by taxation, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,000.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a front end loader, 4 wheel drive, for the use of the Highway Department and determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,821.00, or any other sum, for the resurfacing of Stony Hill Road from Boston Road running northerly to the Springfield Line for a distance of 3,088 feet more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, with further instructions to the Selectmen to file this project with the Federal Works Acceleration Program whereby the Federal Government's share amounting to 50% of costs, exclusive of any land costs, and upon receipt, such reimbursement be added to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

NOTE: Meeting adjourned for noon recess at 12:25 p.m.; called to order for afternoon session at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Brooks paid the following tribute to the retiring Chairman of the Board of Selectmen Roger T. Hintze:

"I speak as one who served with him on the Board and one who has had an opportunity to follow his leadership for a successful twelve years. Twelve years sounds like a long time and I believe Roger has reason to vouch for this. I would like to suggest at this time that we show recognition of the outstanding service he has rendered to this Town for these past twelve years."

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $30,939.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on Stony Hill Road from the Stony Hill School Road north to Dipping Hole Road for a distance of 1.1 miles, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

(This vote was on a motion amending the original article.)

Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $30,939.00 for the construction of a sidewalk on Stony Hill Road from the Stony Hill School Road north to Dipping Hole Road for a distance of 1.1 miles, more or less, $15,469.50 to be raised by taxation, and $15,469.50

by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, and authorize the Selectmen to take by eminent domain any additional land that may be necessary.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor 254
Opposed 54

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,092.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on South Main Street from Minnechaug Regional High School Drive south for a distance of 1,300 feet, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

(This vote was on a motion amending the original article.)

Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $5,092.00 for the construction of a sidewalk on South Main Street from Minnechaug Regional High School Drive south for a distance of 1,300 feet, more or less, $2,546.00 to be raised by taxation, and $2,546.00 by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, and authorize the Selectmen to take by eminent domain any additional land that may be necessary

(⅔ vote required)

In favor 243
Opposed 44

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $21,323.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on Tinkham Road from South Main Street and running westerly to Rochford Drive for a distance of 4,533 feet, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

(This vote was on a motion amending the original article.)

Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $21,323.00 for the construction of a sidewalk on Tinkham Road from South Main Street and running westerly to Rochford Drive for a distance of 4,533 feet, more

or less, $10,661.50 to be raised by taxation, and $10,661.50 by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, and authorize the Selectmen to take by eminent domain any additional land that may be necessary.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	242
Opposed	62

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $34,903.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on South Main Street from Tinkham Road running southerly to Soule Road for a distance of 5,264 feet, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

(This vote was on a motion amending the original article.)

Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $34,903.00 for the construction of a sidewalk on South Main Street from Tinkham Road running southerly to Soule Road for a distance of 5,264 feet, more or less, $17,451.50 to be raised by taxation, and $17,451.50 by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, and authorize the Selectmen to take by eminent domain any additional land that may be necessary.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	244
Opposed	57

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,867.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk on Soule Road from South Main Street and running westerly to Meadowview Road for a distance of 2,120 feet, more or less, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously to take no action.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make application to the Community Facilities Ad-

ministration of the Housing and Home Finance Agency under the terms of Public Law 560 for an interest free loan to finance a storm drainage study for the town, and that the Selectmen be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Housing and Home Finance Agency for said loan. The above study to be made by an engineering firm selected by the Board of Selectmen with the understanding that the engineering fee shall not exceed the sum of $9,800.00, or any sum, for the requested planning advance, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority
(⅔ vote required)
In favor 276
Opposed 11

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,300.00, or any other sum, which represents cost to the town after deducting the turn-in value of present truck, for use of the Water Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated funds in the treasury the sum of $12,733.00, or any other sum, to be spent by the Water Department for additional household and business installations for water service, the cost of which is to be collected by the town from the individuals or concerns requesting installations, and restored upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,250.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a cruiser for the Police Department and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 40, Section 6B of the General Laws as amended which reads as

follows: A city or town which accepts or has accepted this section may appropriate money for the purchase of uniforms for members of its police and fire departments, which may include the purchase of rubber boots and other necessary outer clothing, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 27. To see if the Town will approve the authorization of $720,000.00, or any other sum, in bonds or notes of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District for the purpose of constructing and equipping an addition to the District School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously that the Town approve the authorization of $675,000.00 in bonds or notes of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District for the purpose of constructing and equipping an addition to the District School. This vote amended the original article.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to name the new elementary school on Main Street, now under construction, the Mile Oak School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town name the new elementary school on Main Street, now under construction, the Mile Tree School.

In favor	319
Opposed	27

This vote amended the original article.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to name the new elementary school on Main Street, now under construction, the John Fitzgerald Kennedy School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority to take no action.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00, or any other sum, for the expense account of the Conservation Commission, and determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00, or any other sum, for a "Land Purchase Fund" to be used by the Conservation Commission and determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,599.02, or any other sum, to replace funds appropriated in 1958, 1959, 1960, and 1961 for the preparation and publishing of a history of the Town in 1963, these appropriations having been returned to surplus, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,599.02 to prepare and publish a history of the Town, to replace the unexpended balance of $7,700.00 total appropriated in 1958, 1959, 1960, and 1961, such balance having been returned to surplus; and the expenditure of this $6,599.02 sum plus $3,300.00 appropriated in 1963 be conditional upon both approval of the completed manuscript and issuance of a contract by the Board of Selectmen.

This amended the original article.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the treasury $7,280.00, or any other sum, for the cost of garbage collection from the subscribers to be restored, upon their receipt by the Town Collector, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00, or any other sum, to be expended under the joint supervision of the Planning Board and the Board of Assessors for the preparation of maps and plans for the use of said Planning Board and Board of Assessors, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,000.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sanitary sewer along Stony Hill Road from River Road to the Springfield line to be connected with the Springfield sewer system for the purpose of disposing of sewage in conformity with the requirements of the State Department of Public Health, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $1,000.00, or any other sum, to be spent by the Selectmen for sanitary sewer service to the City of Springfield, such cost to be assessed and, when collected by the town from the individuals who are currently on sanitary sewer service, to be returned to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Sanitary Sewer Study Committee to work with Tighe and Bond relative to the sewer needs and problems in the area of North Wilbraham, for the purpose of disposing of sewage in conformity with the requirements of the State Department of Public Health, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $50,000.00 and transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $50,000.00 for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $25,000.00, or any other sum, for a Reserve Fund; $15,000.00 to be raised by taxation and $10,000.00 to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Study Committee, or Study Committees, to evaluate the advisability of establishing a Department of Public Safety, a Department of Public Works, or any other phase of Town Government Administration that said committee, or committees, deem advisable to consider and to present such recommendations to the townspeople for consideration at some future town meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to support a constitutional grant of home rule for the cities and towns of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and to direct the Selectmen to take such action as may be necessary or advisable to bring about local self-government, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen at their discretion to continue active opposition to the power transmission line presently proposed by the Western Massachusetts Electric Company, and to seek a less damaging route for same, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to adopt as a by-law the town employee personnel plan recommended by the Personnel Study Committee. Said plan is entitled "Personnel Program," is dated February 10, 1964, and is filed with the Town Clerk, and covers town positions other than those filled by popular election and those under the direction and control of the school committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws by adding the following By-Law thereto:

ARTICLE 3A
PERSONNEL BOARD

Section 1. There shall be a Personnel Board of five members, not more than two of which shall be Finance Committee members, to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen after each annual

town meeting for a term of such duration that the term of at least one member will expire each year.

Section 2. Said Board shall administer all matters pertaining to personnel plans and other such provisions of or for the By-Laws regarding personnel classification, fringe benefits, and compensation plans, and shall hear and determine all questions arising under such plans.

Section 3. Said Board shall periodically study and review any plans as referred to in Section 2 and shall advise and recommend to the Town as to any needed plans or amendments to existing Town adopted plans.

Said study shall include requests for recommendations from all Town department heads and a thorough study and review of any such recommendations shall be made.

(Such personnel plans under the General Laws are not applicable to positions filled by popular election or those under the direction and control of the School Committee.)

Voted by a majority.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws by adding the following By-Law thereto:

ARTICLE 3A

PERSONNEL BOARD

Section 1. The Financial Committee of the Town shall serve as a Personnel Board for the Town.

Section 2. Same as Section 2 of Article 44 above.

Section 3. Same as Section 3 of Article 44 above.

Voted by a majority to take no action.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 32B of the General Laws authorizing any County, City, Town or District to provide a plan of Group Life Insurance, Group Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance, and Group General or Blanket Hospital, Surgical and Medical Insurance for certain persons in the service of such Town or District and their dependents, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to accept General Laws Chapter 39, Section 23 which provides that the election of Town officers shall take place at any time within 7 days before or after the Annual Town Meeting held for the transaction of other business. The time and place of holding such election and vote shall be stated in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, and such election and vote shall be deemed parts of the Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 48. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1964, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Voted unanimously.

Article 50. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the personal properties and real estate of the Town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m., March 14, 1964 until 8:30 a.m., Saturday, March 21, 1964 at Memorial School when the Annual Town Elections will be held, polls closing at 6:30 p.m.

Attest: Doris G. Cochran, *Town Clerk*

Report of Special Town Meeting

JUNE 13, 1964

In accordance with the Warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional High School auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Ernest W. Furnans, Jr. at 10 a.m. It was noted that more than twenty persons were present; therefore a quorum.

The following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator: Charles M. Merrick, Head Teller; William J. Miller, G. Walter Johnson, Henry P. Baush, S. William Whyte, and Thaddeus Wozniak.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of $2,500.00, or any other sum, to make an engineering survey and study relative to the sewer needs in the area of North Wilbraham for the purpose of disposing of sewage in conformity with the requirements of the State Department of Public Health, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of $5,500.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of 4½ acres of land, more or less, on the west side of Main Street and known as the Bruuer Pond Property, described in deed dated June 29, 1943 from Aletta W. Steele to Frank S. Williamson and Edith H. Williamson and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 1762, Page 459; excepting therefrom land described in deed dated October 29, 1954 from Frank S. Williamson and Edith H. Williamson to Robert N. Williams and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 2346, Page 526. Any funds which may be reimbursed to the Conservation Commission by the Commonwealth shall be credited to the Conservation Fund for general conservation purposes and uses. Said land to be held by the Conservation Commission for conservation purposes, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	187
Opposed	3

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by revoking all previous Zoning By-Laws of the Town and any and all additions or amendments thereto and substituting therefor the Zoning By-Laws recommended by the Planning

Board and contained in a pamphlet entitled "Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Wilbraham 1964 Revision" and filed with the Town Clerk, which pamphlet is intended to be incorporated herein by reference, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor 172
Opposed 23

NOTE: During the course of discussion on preceding article the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m. for lunch and resumed at 1:15 p.m.

Meeting convened at 1:15 p.m. after noon recess. Final vote on Article 3 taken before adjournment at 6:15 p.m.

NOTE: Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m. to Monday, June 15, 1964 at 7:30 p.m. at Minnechaug Regional High School.

The adjourned session of Special Town Meeting of June 13, 1964 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 1964 with a quorum present.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to revoke the present Zoning Districts and to divide the Town into new Zoning Districts as recommended by the Planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority to amend this article by considering and voting on each Zoning District separately since the original motion would require only one vote.

ART. 4 — 1. Voted unanimously that the Town revoke the present applicable Zoning Districts and rezone as Resident District R-15 those areas as recommended by the Planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 15, 1964.

R-15 (⅔ vote required)

In favor 359
Opposed 0

NOTE: During discussion of R-26 it was voted by a majority at 12:05 a.m. to adjourn meeting to Wednesday, June 17, 1964 at Minnechaug Regional High School.

The adjourned session of Special Town Meeting of June 13, 1964 called to order at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 17, 1964. It was noted that a quorum was present.

ART. 4 — 2. Voted by a majority that the Town revoke the present applicable Zoning Districts and rezone as Resident District R-26 those areas as recommended by the Planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 17, 1964.

R-26 (⅔ vote required)

In favor	297
Opposed	13

NOTE: At this point it was voted by a majority to consider Neighborhood Shopping and Neighborhood Office ahead of R-34 and R-40, in this order.

On a motion made and seconded and voted by a majority three pieces of property, indicated by arrows on map, were withdrawn from the main motion on Neighborhood Shopping to be voted on separately as 3a.

ART. 4 — 3. Voted by a majority that the Town not revoke the present applicable Zoning Districts and rezone as Neighborhood Shopping District (N.S.) those areas as recommended by the Planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 17, 1964.

N.S. (⅔ vote required)

In favor	159
Opposed	189

ART. 4 — 3a. Voted by a majority that property at the northwesterly corner and the southwesterly corner of Springfield Street, and the Shults property on the easterly side of Main Street be zoned Neighborhood Shopping District (N.S.), indicated by arrows on map entitled "Building Zone

Map, dated January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 17, 1964.

N.S. (⅔ vote required)

In Favor	176
Opposed	5

NOTE: Voted unanimously to adjourn meeting at 12:15 a.m. until June 24, 1964 at 7:30 at Minnechaug Regional High School.

The adjourned session of Special Town Meeting of June 13, 1964 was called to order at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 24, 1964 at Minnechaug Regional High School as voted in motion to adjourn on June 17, 1964. On a motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. Low, this meeting adjourned to Memorial School where it was called to order at 7:45 p.m., with a quorum present.

ART. 4 — 4. Voted by a majority that the Town revoke the present applicable Zoning Districts and rezone as Neighborhood Office District (N.O.) those areas as recommended by the Planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 24, 1964.

N.O. (⅔ vote required)

In favor	136
Opposed	37

ART. 4 — 5. Voted by a majority that the Town revoke the present applicable Zoning Districts and rezone as Resident District (R-34) those areas as recommended by the planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 24, 1964.

R-34 (⅔ vote required)

In favor	146
Opposed	20

ART. 4 — 6. Voted by a majority that the Town revoke the present applicable Zoning Districts and rezone as Resi-

dent District (R-40) those areas as recommended by the Planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 24, 1964.

R-40 (⅔ vote required)

In favor 151

Opposed 9

Art. 4 — 7. Voted unanimously that the Town revoke the present applicable Zoning Districts and rezone as Limited Business District (L.B.) those areas as recommended by the Planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 24, 1964.

L.B. (⅔ vote required)

In favor 170

Opposed 0

Art. 4 — 8. Voted unanimously that the Town revoke the present applicable Zoning Districts and rezone as General Business District (G.B.) those areas as recommended by the Planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 24, 1964.

G.B. (⅔ vote required)

In favor 147

Opposed 0

Art. 4 — 9. Voted unanimously that the Town revoke the present applicable Zoning Districts and rezone as Industrial District (I) those areas as recommended by the Planning Board and shown on a map entitled "Building Zone Map, January 1964, Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Revised May 1, 1964" and filed with the Town Clerk as further amended and revised at this Special Town Meeting of June 24, 1964.

I (⅔ vote required)

In favor	147
Opposed	0

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to revoke the present Zoning Map of the Town and to authorize the Planning Board to publish a new Building Zoning Map of the Town showing thereon the Zoning Districts and such other data as said Board may deem advisable, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Rosemary Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on June 2, 1964, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (1,217 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Loring Road, as laid out by the Selectmen on June 2, 1964, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (216 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Swasey Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on June 2, 1964, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (340 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Karen Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on June 2, 1964, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (580 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a publice way the private way now known as Garden Lane, as laid out by the Selectmen on June 2, 1964, and authorize the Board of

Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (570 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Western View Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on June 2, 1964, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor. (711 feet more or less)

Voted unanimously.

Article 12. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the personal properties and real estate of the town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11 p.m.

Attest, Doris G. Cochran, *Town Clerk*

Report of Special Town Meeting

OCTOBER 21, 1964

In accordance with the Warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Wilbraham Memorial School Auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by Town Clerk, Doris G. Cochran at 8 p.m. with more than 20 persons present which constituted a quorum. A short recess was taken until people who were at the door were seated.

The Town Clerk announced that the first order of business would be to elect a temporary Moderator to preside over this meeting only. At this point the following tellers appointed by the Town Committees were sworn in by the Town Clerk: Henry P. Baush, Thomas F. Gallagher, Harold K. Jones, and E. Donald Riddle.

Mr. Jesse L. Rice, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, asked to be recognized. He spoke as follows: "On behalf of the Board of Selectmen and the residents of the Town of Wilbraham I wish at this time to recognize a man who has done a great deal for the Town of Wilbraham and who has acted as Moderator since 1957.

Mr. Ernest W. Furnans has done an outstanding job as a Moderator. We are sorry that he had to relinquish this position, but knowing what has transpired, we hope that Mr. Furnans will be able to be with us for a long while and I know he will still be a great help to us. We wish you, Mr. Furnans, a great many years of success and happiness in your endeavors here in Wilbraham."

The Clerk called for nominations for Moderator. Mr. Furnans nominated Kenneth R. Bunten, Jr. with a few words of explanation as to why he had chosen this individual. Other nominations were called for, but there were none. The motion was made and seconded that nominations be closed. Unanimous vote.

The vote was taken by a show of cards for Mr. Kenneth R. Bunten, Jr. as temporary Moderator. He was elected with 172 votes cast in favor, none opposed. Mr. Bunten was sworn in by the Clerk, and the articles in the Warrant were taken up.

Article 1. WHEREAS, in 1961 the Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain or acquire by purchase the Spec Pond Recreational Area, and appropriated the appraised value sum of $12,000.00 therefor; and

WHEREAS, said land could not be purchased at an agreed price and it was taken by eminent domain in 1961; and

WHEREAS, a law suit was entered against the Town for assessment of damages for the value of the land taken, and

WHEREAS, said suit came on for trial in September of 1964 and a compromise settlement has been reached.

NOW therefore this article is presented to see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of $11,439.80, or any other sum, to pay the balance, not previously authorized, on said compromise settlement of the Spec Pond Recreational Area assessment of damages law suit, together with fees for special legal trial counsel and expert real estate appraiser required in the defense of said suit, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 40, Sections 42a through 42f inclusive, regarding collection of water rates, charges, and interest thereon, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

ARTICLE 3. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Voted by a majority that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the personal properties and real estate of the Town.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Attest: DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

Governmental Districts and Representatives for the Town of Wilbraham

Second Congressional District
Seventh Councillor District
Worcester and Hampden Senatorial District
Sixteenth Hampden Representative District

United States Senators
Leverett Saltonstall, Dover
Edward M. Kennedy, Boston

Representative in General Court
Vernon R. Farnsworth, Jr.

Republican Town Committee
Stanley Arabik
Anne F. Avon
Maurice H. Baitler
Beatrice L. Becker
Roland H. Bennett
Arthur A. Binder
Paul B. Cambo
George G. Canney, *Chairman*
Phyllis R. Christensen
Robert B. Cross
Jean S. Dana
Charles E. Dorey
Robert P. Ensign
Roger W. Folsom
Oren K. Gilbert
Edward H. Godfrey
Herman G. Grandchamp
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr.
G. Walter Johnson
Harold K. Jones

State Senator
Philip A. Quinn, Spencer

County Commissioners
William F. Stapleton, Holyoke
Thomas F. Sullivan, Springfield
Ralph P. Walsh, Longmeadow

Doris A. Long
Charles L. Merrick
William J. Miller
A. Douglas Morgan
Marjorie W. Payne
Barbara M. Putnam
Franklin T. Richardson
E. Donald Riddle
Gloria C. Russell
Charles H. Sheline
Elizabeth A. Stephens
Harold F. Swetland
Myrtie A. Trant
Carol A. Van Brocklyn
W. Edwin Watkins

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
Mary Arabik
Paul G. Benson
Vernon R. Farnsworth, Jr.

Marion Gale
Filomena Gilbert
Phyllis A. Gleason
Alice Grandchamp
Edmund S. Lee
Charles E. Lockwood
Frederick W. Lowe
John Jay Madeira
Edward Malzenski
Mary Massidda
Curtis McDonald
Howard B. Miller
Lester Mount, Jr.
Muriel Murphy
Nancy L. Napolitan
Leo P. Paradis
Franklin R. Reed
Gilbert E. Stacy

HONORARY MEMBER

J. Loring Brooks

Democratic Town Committee

John F. Baldwin, Jr.
Henry P. Baush
Mary Celentano
Margaret E. Dale
William G. Dale
Earl W. Decorie
Steffie Decorie
Irene A. Donovan
Barbara A. Fitzgerald
John F. Fitzgerald, *Chairman*
William E. Formwalt
Mary G. Gallagher
Thomas F. Gallagher
William H. Garvey
George L. Giokas
Mary A. Irla
Marilyn E. Jackson
Stanley E. Kogut
Martha E. LaBroad
Robert J. LaBroad
John R. LeBlanc
Walter J. Mazur
Hubert S. McDonald
John C. Murphy
Gladys D. Nolan
Stanley J. Peczka
Catherine S. Prendergast
William K. Prendergast
John S. Presz
William L. Talbot
Karl Tupper
S. William Whyte
Thaddeus T. Wozniak

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Donald Albano
John Chmura
Mildred M. Lindell
John F. Murphy
Barbara G. Patnode
William A. Sitnik

Elected Town Officers
AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

Jesse L. Rice, *Chair.*, 1965
Sidney Low, 1966
Edward H. Godfrey, 1967

Town Collector

Mark E. Reynolds, 1965

Town Clerk

Doris G. Cochran, 1965

Town Treasurer

Doris G. Cochran, 1965

Assessors

Edward H. Godfrey, 1965
(Resigned)
Whitney C. Stiles
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
Harold K. Jones, 1966
Allan R. Kinney, *Chair.*, 1967

School Committee

Bruce A. Stephens, 1965
(Deceased)
Richard R. Hartman
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
Alexander W. Marco, *Chair.*, 1966
Harry J. Dabagian, 1966
Dr. Clayton L. Thomas, 1967
David L. Stone, 1967

Tree Warden

Gordon R. Long, 1965

Cemetery Commissioners
Weldon G. Jameson, 1965
Roland H. Bennett, 1966
John Bernet, 1967

Water Commissioners
William R. Hannah, *Chair.*, 1965
David M. McIntosh, Jr., 1966
Willard P. Willis, Jr., 1967

Moderator
Ernest W. Furnans, Jr., 1965
(Resigned)

Trustees of Public Library
Mary G. Ronk, *Chair.*, 1965
(Resigned)
Leslie D. Polk
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
Clifford W. Burgess, *Chair.*, 1966
Muriel L. Boyce, 1967

Planning Board
Herbert P. Daunheimer, 1965
William E. Leonard, *Chair.*, 1966
William Sullivan, Jr., 1967
James K. Russell, 1968
Franklin T. Richardson, 1969

Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee
John R. Lyman, *Chair.*, 1965
Doris C. Bowman, 1965
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr., 1966
Chester L. Thorndike, 1967

Poundkeeper
Robert A. Converse, 1965

Surveyors of Lumber
Walter H. Clark, 1965
Jesse L. Rice, 1965

Field Drivers
Benjamin F. Griffin, 1965
Peter Presz, 1965
Leonard VonFlatern, Sr., 1965

Weighers of Grain
Weldon G. Jameson, 1965
Jesse L. Rice, 1965

Measurers of Wood and Charcoal
Walter H. Clark, 1965
Edward P. Lindsay, 1965

Officers Appointed by Selectmen
AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Finance Committee
Aldo E. Alberici, *Chairman*
Irving J. Cordner
Fred T. Googins
Alphonse S. Sambor
Herman G. Grandchamp
Albert H. Howes
Marshall Roper
Oren K. Gilbert
Charles H. Sheline

Superintendent of Streets
Herbert L. Butler

Police Chief
John S. Leary

Constables
Robert A. Converse
Robert C. Dietz

Milk Inspector
Health Officer (Sanitarian)
John A. Brickett

Dog Officer
Animal Inspector
Slaughtering Inspector
Robert A. Converse

Secretary to Selectmen
Mary L. Powers

Town Accountant
Joseph A. Reilly, 1966

Town Counsel
W. Edwin Watkins

Pest Control Officer
Gordon R. Long

Fire Chief
Forest Warden
Ralph E. Tupper

Board of Appeals
Pearl R. Kinney, 1965
Harry R. Jeffrey, 1966
W. Edwin Watkins, *Chair.*, 1967
Ralph E. Keyes, Assoc. Mem., 1967

Veterans' Agent
George A. Dusenberry, Jr.

Sealer of Weights and Measures
Charles L. Merrick

Registrars of Voters
George G. Canney, 1965
Henry P. Baush, 1966
Thomas F. Gallagher, 1967
Doris G. Cochran, 1965
(Ex Officio)

Playground Commissioners
Truman R. Swallow, *Chairman*
Harold Lovering, Jr.
William J. Miller

Board of Fire Commissioners
Rudolph L. Shultz, *Chair.*
Jimmie D. Staggs
Oren K. Gilbert

Radio Advisory Committee
Herbert L. Butler
John S. Leary
Ralph E. Tupper
G. Frederic Boyce
Elton R. Turner

Civil Defense
Walter R. Howe, Jr., *Director*

Insurance Review Committee
Bert Mount, *Chairman*
Gerald N. Hakes
Leland W. Shaw

Building Inspectors
Anthony G. Mascaro
Thomas W. Farnham, Associate

Industrial Development Committee
Leo Paradis, *Chairman*
Beatrice L. Becker (Resigned)
Robert H. Chapman
Francis J. X. Donohue
Winston T. Leavitt
Nicholas E. Carr
William E. Leonard, Advisory

Personnel Board
Herman G. Grandchamp, *Chair.*, 1967
John Bemben, 1967
Albert E. Neale, 1965 (Resigned)
Joseph P. Mell, 1965
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
Darrell S. Ames, 1966
Marshall Roper, 1966

History Committee
Charles L. Merrick, *Chairman*
Raymond F. Gurney
Harry R. Jeffrey
Ralph M. Kilcourse
Leslie D. Polk

History Review Committee
Margaret E. Fey
Richard L. Danforth
John F. Fitzgerald
Philip B. Foster

Prudential Agent — Welfare Dept.
Sidney Low

Electrical Inspector
William E. Fitzgerald

Plumbing Inspector
Harry L. King, Jr.

Town Report Committee
S. Alberta Stutsman
Lewis A. Shaw
Richard C. Stevens
Leslie D. Polk (Resigned)
Wadsworth C. Hine
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

School Building Committee
Dorrance T. Green, *Chairman*
Ethel M. Musselman
Fred T. Googins
Doris C. Bowman
Andrew G. Duzsik
Edwin M. Osgood
Larry Dwight Lewis
Frederick B. Seel

Fence Viewers
Gordon W. Holdridge
W. Gilbert Allyn
Harry R. Whyte

Shade Tree Committee
Margaret W. Bearse
Clifford W. Burgess
Gordon R. Long
Herol Harrington
Clyde F. Barlow

Power Transmission Committee
Edward H. Godfrey, *Chairman*
Clifford W. Burgess
James P. Saxe
Andrew Duzsik
Roger T. Hintze
James K. Russell
Raymond Trombley
Vernon R. Farnsworth, Jr.

Town Disposal Research Committee
John R. Mykrantz, *Chairman*
Ralph E. Keyes
Aldo Alberici
Stephen Skorupski
G. Walter Johnson

By-Laws Study Committee
Richard L. Danforth, *Chairman*
Sidney Low
William Sullivan, Jr.
W. Edwin Watkins
John F. Fitzgerald

Sanitary Sewer Study Committee
William J. Schickler, *Chairman*
Edward H. Godfrey
David M. McIntosh, Jr.
Charles E. Dorey
Charles H. Sheline
Robert H. Chapman

School Survey Committee
William Mumford, Jr., *Chairman*
Irving H. Agard, *Secretary*
Fred T. Googins
Frederick B. Seel
Roger Caron
Frank C. Gross
Bruce A. Stephens (Deceased)
David L. Stone
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Conservation Commission
G. Milo Green, *Chair.*, 1966
Herol Harrington, 1966
David E. Birkhaeuser, 1965
Doris Magruder, 1965
Richard C. Swain, 1965
John C. Sevey, 1967
Francis J. Bennett, 1967

"Clean-Up Paint-Up Fix-Up" Committee
Armand R. Peltier
Charles A. Kendall
John C. Howard
Lester Mount, Jr.
Stanley Opalinski
Dr. Alexander Evans, *Chairman*

Town Administration Study Committee
Roger T. Hintze, *Chairman*
Frederick M. Cohn
Albert H. Howes
Albert E. Neale
Sarkis Serdarian

In Memoriam

LEO E. KUEHN
JAMES B. LOGAN
BRUCE A. STEPHENS
RUSSELL J. HARRINGTON

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN, ss.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Wilbraham in the County of Hampden:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilbraham qualified to vote in elections of Town Officers, to meet in Wilbraham Memorial School in said Town on Saturday, the twentieth day of March, A.D., 1965 at 8:30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the election of officers of said Town, for the following offices, to wit:

To choose a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Town Collector, and a Tree Warden for the ensuing year; one Selectman for three years who shall be a member of the Board of Public Welfare and Board of Health; one Assessor for three years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; one Library Trustee for three years; one School Committee Member for three years; two Members of the Regional School Committee for three years; one Member of the Planning Board for five years. The polls shall open at 8:30 a.m. and shall close at 6:30 p.m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Wilbraham, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in Minnechaug Regional High School in said Town on Saturday, the thirteenth day of March, A.D., 1965 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles; viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose one Poundkeeper; two Measurers of Wood and Charcoal; two Surveyors of Lumber; three Field Drivers; two Weighers of Grain — all for the term of one year.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer, and other officers or committees.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1965 and ending March 31, 1966.

ARTICLE 3. Recommend that compensation for elected Town Officers be fixed as follows: Town Clerk, $2,600.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,600.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meeting, $15.00 Special Town Meetings; Town Collector, $4,680.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden, $1.75 per hour ($2.00 per hour for use of truck when needed); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00 per year, Chairman, $650.00; Assessors, $1.50 per hour; Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Tax of 1964.

ARTICLE 4. Recommend $1,220.77 be added to the Library Appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee together with the appropriations recommended by them and to raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for defraying the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and appropriate the same and vote how the same shall be raised. (See pages 119 to 128 inclusive)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,846.75, or take any other action relative thereto.

This sum representing the Grant received from the State for Library purposes.

ARTICLE 6. Recommend $1,846.75 be added to Library Appropriation.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,850.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a sander for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. Recommended.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00, or any other sum, for a ½ Ton

Pick-up Truck for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

This amount represents the cost to the Town after deducting the trade-in value of a 1953 ½ Ton Pick-up.

ARTICLE 8. Recommended.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Operating Account the sum of $9,500.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a 3½ Ton Truck with two-way radio for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. Recommended.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,200.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of two (2) cruisers for the use of the Wilbraham Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

This sum represents the net cost to the Town after deducting the trade-in value of the present cruisers.

ARTICLE 10. Recommended.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Northwood Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 16, 1965, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, or take any other action relative thereto. No appropriation being necessary therefor. Said acceptance to be conditional upon a vote to construct a sidewalk on Springfield Street and Northwood Drive under Article 12.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $44,800.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk, beginning at the Stony Hill School property line in Northwood Village, southerly to Springfield Street on the westerly side of Northwood Drive, and westerly on the northerly side of Springfield Street to the Springfield City Line, a distance of 1.3 miles, more or less, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain any easements which may be required, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. Recommended.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Agreement between the Towns of Wilbraham and Hampden, Massachusetts, with respect to the Formation of a Regional School District so as to include grades seven through twelve in said Regional School District. The details of the amendments being contained in a document entitled "Form of Proposed Amendments to the Agreement Between the Towns of Wilbraham and Hampden, Massachusetts, With Respect to the Formation of a Regional School District As Adopted By Each of Said Towns on October 22, 1956" as filed with the Wilbraham Board of Selectmen on February 12, 1965 and with the Wilbraham Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. Recommended.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a School Building Site Committee to find sites for future junior high schools and elementary schools and to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00, or any other sum, to be expended at the discretion of said committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

The committee to be instructed not to spend in excess of said amount.

ARTICLE 14. Recommended.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,500.00, or any other sum, for the resurfacing of River Road from Old Boston Road westerly to Stony Hill Road for a distance of 2700 feet, more or less, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. Recommended.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $16,875.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of installing a drainage system in Stony Hill Road for a distance of 1300 feet, more or less, from Glenn Drive southerly to Fernwood Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. Recommended.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,050.00, or any other sum, for the purpose

of completing reconstruction of Soule Road from East Longmeadow Road easterly to Stony Hill Road for a distance of 1800 feet, more or less, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. Recommended.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction, and that in addition the sum of $19,500.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. Recommended.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and that in addition the sum of $5,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. Recommended.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,377.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway Work, and that in addition the sum of $18,425.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored, upon its receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. Recommended.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,666.00, or any other sum, for the location, relocation, alteration, and construction of Soule Road from Stony Hill Road running easterly to Main Street, and to author-

ize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21. Recommended.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,750.00, or any other sum, for the resurfacing of Tinkham Road from Main Street running westerly to Stony Hill Road for a distance of 6,645 feet, more or less, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. Recommended.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,750.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of paying the Town's share for painting and repairing the Green-Towne Bridge, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. Recommended.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,889.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of installing a drainage system in Tinkham Road to run northwesterly from Rochford Drive to Merrick's swamp for a distance of 1100 feet, more or less, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take land by eminent domain if necessary, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. Recommended.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to employ a registered professional engineer to serve as Town Engineer at a salary not to exceed $9,500.00 per year, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Fox Hill Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 16, 1965 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make application to the Community Facilities Administration of the Housing and Home Finance Agency under the terms of Public Law 560 for an interest free loan to finance

a sewer study for the Town, and that the Selectmen be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Housing and Home Finance Agency for said loan. The above study to be made by an engineering firm selected by the Board of Selectmen with the understanding that the engineering fee shall not exceed the sum of $7,500.00, or any other sum, for the requested planning advance, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 27. Recommended.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $10,436.00, or any other sum, to be spent by the Water Department for additional household and business installations for water service, the cost of which is to be collected by the Town from the individuals or concerns requesting installations, to be restored upon receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 28. Recommended.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,200.00, or any other sum, to be expended under the joint supervision of the Planning Board and the Board of Assessors, for the maintenance and updating of maps and plans for the use of said Planning Board and Board of Assessors, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 29. Recommended.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Wilbraham 1964 Revision by adding a new district as set forth in a document entitled "Proposed Warrant for the Town of Wilbraham — Multiple Dwelling District" dated November 16, 1964 and filed with the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning of land of R. L. Sirois, Inc. in the Town of Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts with 577', more or less, frontage on the northerly side of River Road bounded northerly and easterly by Western Mass. Electric Co. and westerly by other land of R. L. Sirois, Inc. from Industrial District to Multiple Dwelling District, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,870.00, or any other sum, to purchase addressograph equipment for billing use in the Town Offices, or take any other action relative thereto.

This sum represents the net cost to the Town after deducting the trade-in value of the present addressograph equipment.

ARTICLE 32. Recommended.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to rescind its action on Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting of June 18, 1963 authorizing the Selectmen to convey on behalf of the Town to Frank P. Nowak and Anna C. Nowak a certain parcel of land situated southerly of River Road and westerly of Bridge Street, as the Nowaks no longer wish to purchase this piece of property, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. Whereas Charles J. Labody and Stella A. Labody by deed dated September 21, 1963 conveyed a certain parcel of land lying 1925 feet, more or less, easterly of Stony Hill Road in Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts as further bounded and described in said deed, for conservation or other municipal purposes.

Whereas this land was conveyed to the Town to help the Town in its case in opposition to the electric transmission line and is no longer needed for this purpose or for conservation purposes.

Therefore it is now desirable:

To see if the Town will vote to accept the deed from Labodys and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey the land back to the said Labodys with the thanks of the Town and without cost to the said Labodys.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $30,000.00, or any other sum, for a Reserve Fund; $20,000.00 to be raised by taxation and $10,000.00 to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 35. Recommended.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 36. Recommend $50,000.00 be transferred from available funds and $50,000.00 be raised from taxation.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws entitled "Personnel Program" dated February 10, 1964 and filed with the Town Clerk, as set forth in "Amendments to the Personnel Program" dated February 10, 1965 and filed with the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 37. Recommended.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 403 of the Acts of 1936 of the Commonwealth entitled "An Act Providing for the Inclusion of Additional Public Employees within the Provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Law" and to cover all employees of the Town under said Workmen's Compensation Law except members of the police or fire force, regardless of the nature of their work, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 38. Recommended.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to provide for payments under the Workmen's Compensation Law by the purchase of insurance, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 39. Recommended.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,000.00, or any other sum, to pay the garbage collector, with receipts from garbage collection subscribers to be restored as received by the Town Collector to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 40. Recommended.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of $227.60 representing prior year's bills for Veterans' Services, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 41. Recommended.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Town Building Survey Committee for the purpose of making a study of the need for future Town buildings such as town hall, town library, and any other needed town buildings; and a study of possible sites for such buildings.

Said committee shall hold a public hearing at least 30 days prior to the next Annual Town Meeting and submit to such meeting its recommendations which shall contain at least two possible sites for each of the buildings it may recommend as being needed.

Said committee shall consist of one Selectman, one member of the Planning Board, and not less than three other persons, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase a bond to dissolve the attachment of the real estate in the lawsuit against certain Planning Board members as individuals, when such action may in their discretion become necessary, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 43. Recommended.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to accept various deeds of easement rights to the Town recorded at the Hampden County Registry of Deeds since the date of the last Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to instruct its representatives to the General Court to vote in favor of the Home Rule proposal (H 1384 of 1963 as revised) when it comes before them in the 1965 Legislature, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1965, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note

or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 48. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Post Office at North Wilbraham, one at the Post Office at Wilbraham, and one at Glendale Church, seven days at least, before the time for holding said election and meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time for holding said election and meeting.

Given under our hands this ninth day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five.

SELECTMEN OF WILBRAHAM

Jesse L. Rice, *Chairman*
Sidney Low
Edward H. Godfrey

Finance Committee Report

Wilbraham's population still increases. Costs in general, continue an upward trend. That these two facts bear importantly on departmental operations became even more apparent as 1965 budget requests were presented by the various boards in January to this committee.

Providing essential services to an expanding population, (estimated population now 8,700 compared to 8,200 last year) yet holding costs within reasonable limits, has been a real challenge to all Town departments. We acknowledge the efforts and progress all the people in our Town government have made toward meeting this challenge. Thanks, also, to them for the complete budget material which was given us in ample time for the preparation of the 1965 budget. We are again indebted to Mr. J. A. Reilly, Town Accountant, for providing us with facts, figures, and other information which has been so helpful during the year just past.

An analysis and comparison of 1964 Appropriations with the recommended 1965 Budget, by general summaries, follows:

ANALYSIS OF 1964 APPROPRIATIONS AND RECOMMENDED 1965 BUDGET

	1964 Appropriations	1965 Budget	Increase (Decrease)	%
General Government	$74,253.00	$73,208.00	$(1,045.00)	(1.4)
Public Safety	102,769.00	119,508.00	16,739.00	16.3
Health and Sanitation	23,315.00	17,821.00	(5,494.00)	(23.6)
Highways	81,880.00	81,300.00	(580.00)	(0.7)
Charities	45,575.85	50,080.00	1,504.15	3.1
Veterans' Services	6,000.00	9,455.00	3,455.00	57.6
Schools				
Local	752,423.00	828,867.00	76,444.00	10.2
Regional:				
Operating	362,803.45	433,233.98	70,430.53	19.4
Debt Service	67,381.51	109,910.98	42,529.47	63.1
Total Schools	1,182,607.96	1,372,011.96	189,404.00	16.0
Library	26,377.21	28,718.21	2,341.00	.8.9
Recreation & Celebrations	13,040.00	13,350.00	310.00	2.4
Pensions	13,642.77	15,602.20	1,959.43	14.4
Unclassified	14,000.00	15,819.00	1,819.00	13.0
Public Service Enterprise	30,463.00	30,200.00	(263.00)	(0.9)
Cemeteries	2,375.00	2,150.00	(225.00)	(9.5)
Debt Service	156,902.50	154,430.00	(2,472.50)	(1.6)
Total Article 5	1,776,201.29	1,983,653.37	207,452.08	11.7
Special Articles	380,155.89	354,937.12	(25,218.77)	(6.6)
Totals	$2,156,357.18	$2,338,590.49	$182,233.31	
1965 Budget Increase over 1964 Appropriations				8.5%

Consistent with past reports the following tabulation recaps the basic sources of funds analyzed above:

	1964	1965
Appropriations recommended to be raised by taxation	$1,953,644.79	$2,172,764.37
Appropriations recommended to be raised from Available Funds	202,712.39	165,826.12
Total	$2,156,357.18	$2,338,590.49
1965 Budget Increase over 1964 Appropriation		$182,233.31

You will note again this year the largest single increase under general summaries is in school budgets. Both local and Regional High School operating expense increases reflect the recently enacted minimum teacher salary increase, the additional teaching staff required as the result of increased school population, and

the Regional High School start-up expense. The Regional High School Debt Service increase reflects our 1965 share of the capital cost for the addition voted at the 1964 Annual Town Meeting.

Another increase in the general summaries is in Public Safety. Chief Leary recommends additional personnel in order to provide twenty-four hour police coverage. We recommend acceptance of this budgeted item.

And there are decreases, notably in Health and Sanitation. This reduction is made possible through savings in the maintenance of the town dump through the use of Highway Department heavy equipment.

Two articles will appear concerning construction of storm water drainage systems. While the Selectmen have taken appropriate action to protect the Town against new problem areas arising, these two unsatisfactory conditions need immediate correction. We recommend your approval.

Under the category of special articles one notable reduction concerns sidewalk construction. The amount budgeted this year is approximately $47,500 less than in 1964. The one sidewalk recommended this year is adjacent to Stony Hill School. As is the case with sidewalks built last year, this is not only good planning from a safety viewpoint, but the savings in bus transportation as a result of the youngsters walking to school offsets construction and allied costs within the space of a few years.

As in 1964 no funds need be appropriated at this annual meeting for additional new school construction. However, a Progress Report prepared by the Wilbraham 1964 School Survey Committee indicates a new junior high school should be available for occupancy no later than September, 1968.

Also looking to the future, it is quite apparent that expected continued growth will require substantial funds for such purposes as schools, sewers, and other capital projects. This again points up the value of having a Stabilization Fund and for adding additional dollars to this Fund now. An item in the Warrant will call for adding $100,000.00. We urge your wholehearted support.

As a further aid in future planning, articles in the Warrant will call for authorization for the appointment of two study committees: one to consider the need for future town buildings, the other to find sites for future elementary and junior high schools.

It is only through forward planning of this type, plus participation by townspeople in accepting assignments on such committees, by attending town meetings, by offering constructive suggestions, and by the careful analysis of the need for every recommended expenditure, that Wilbraham can remain the type of town in which we all want to continue to live.

ALDO ALBERICI, *Chairman*
IRVING J. CORDNER
OREN K. GILBERT
FRED T. GOOGINS
HERMAN G. GRANDCHAMP
ALBERT H. HOWES
MARSHALL ROPER
ALPHONSE SAMBOR
CHARLES H. SHELINE

ARTICLE 5 APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED

	1964 Appropriations As Modified	1964 Expended	1965 Budget	1965 Recommended Totals
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Selectmen				
Salaries and Wages	$9,039.00	$8,828.43	$9,098.00	
Expense	1,525.00	1,179.03	1,425.00	
Total	$10,564.00	$10,007.46		$10,523.00
Out-of-State Travel	75.00	62.76	75.00	75.00
Accounting Department				
Salaries and Wages	$8,470.00	$8,465.59	$9,191.00	
Expense	320.00	218.86	277.00	
Total	$8,790.00	$8,684.45		9,468.00
Town Treasurer				
Salaries and Wages	$4,998.06	$4,958.42	$5,198.00	
Expense	691.70	651.40	847.00	
Total	$5,689.76	$5,609.82		6,045.00
Town Collector				
Salaries and Wages	$8,126.00	$8,059.34	$8,436.00	
Expense	1,833.50	1,730.16	1,448.00	
Total	$9,959.50	$9,789.50		9,884.00
Assessors, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$11,427.00	$10,205.53	$9,975.00	
Expense	2,070.00	1,952.82	1,690.00	
Total	$13,497.00	$12,158.35		11,665.00

	1964 Appropriations As Modified	1964 Expended	1965 Budget	1965 Recommended Totals
Town Clerk				
Salaries and Wages	$4,078.82	$3,996.71	$4,576.00	
Expense	300.00	189.57	269.00	
Total	$4,378.82	$4,186.28		4,845.00
Legal				
Salaries and Wages	$2,875.00	$2,875.00	$3,225.00	
Expense	4,215.00	3,154.78	3,000.00	
Total	$7,090.00	$6,029.78		6,225.00
Elections and Town Meeting Exp.				
Salaries and Wages	$2,599.90	$2,599.90	$600.00	
Expense	883.58	883.58	393.00	
Total	$3,483.48	$3,483.48		993.00
Registrars of Voters				
Salaries and Wages	$1,030.00	$973.50	$820.00	
Expense	232.00	227.94	250.00	
Total	$1,262.00	$1,201.44		1,070.00
Planning Board				
Salaries and Wages	$1,820.66	$1,820.66	$2,531.00	
Expense	2,769.84	1,770.82	2,491.00	
Total	$4,590.50	$3,591.48		5,022.00
Appeals, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$690.00	$689.59	$709.00	
Expense	215.00	145.83	195.00	
Total	$905.00	$835.42		904.00
Town Office and Bldg. Maint.				
Salaries and Wages	$1,638.00	$1,489.85	$1,664.00	
Expense	4,355.00	4,291.37	4,825.00	
Total	$5,993.00	$5,781.22		6,489.00
Town Auditor				
Salaries and Wages	$50.00	$50.00		
Total Gen. Government	$76,328.06	$71,471.44		$73,208.00
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Police Department				
Salaries and Wages	$32,272.00	$31,862.21	$42,668.00	
Expense	5,694.62	5,283.50	6,290.00	
Total	$37,966.62	$37,145.71		$48,958.00

	1964 Appropriations As Modified	1964 Expended	1965 Budget	1965 Recommended Totals
Fire Department				
Salaries and Wages	$39,495.00	$38,035.66	$45,413.00	
Expense	8,577.00	6,954.97	7,372.00	
Total	$48,072.00	$44,990.63		52,785.00
Pest Control				
Salaries and Wages	$600.00	$597.30	$800.00	
Expense	900.00	899.79	1,000.00	
Total	$1,500.00	$1,497.09		1,800.00
Dead Wood				
Salaries and Wages	$1,812.90	$1,812.90	$1,900.00	
Expense	1,687.10	1,685.86	1,600.00	
Total	$3,500.00	$3,498.76		3,500.00
Forest Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$500.00	$435.00	$500.00	
Expense	400.00	303.79	400.00	
Total	$900.00	$738.79		900.00
Aid to Agriculture	$125.00	$125.00	$200.00	200.00
Tree Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$2,150.00	$2,149.80	$2,700.00	
Expense	2,150.00	2,148.29	2,300.00	
Total	$4,300.00	$4,298.09		5,000.00
Civil Defense				
Salaries and Wages	$824.00	$810.00	$420.00	
Expense	776.00	502.57	680.00	
Total	$1,600.00	$1,312.57		1,100.00
Dog Officer				
Salaries and Wages	$150.00	$150.00	$150.00	150.00
Building Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$2,525.00	$2,425.00	$2,600.00	
Expense	675.00	658.08	675.00	
Total	$3,200.00	$3,083.08		3,275.00
Wiring Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$810.00	$810.00	$840.00	
Expense	650.00	609.81	650.00	
Total	$1,460.00	$1,419.81		1,490.00

	1964 Appropriations As Modified	1964 Expended	1965 Budget	1965 Recommended Totals
Sealer of Weights and Measures				
Salaries and Wages	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00	
Expense	15.00	1.63	50.00	
Total	$315.00	$301.63		350.00
Total Public Safety	$103,088.62	$98,561.16		$119,508.00
HEALTH AND SANITATION				
Board of Health				
Salaries and Wages	$4,591.72	$4,586.62	$5,532.00	
Expense	16,008.28	10,212.94	9,174.00	
Total	$20,600.00	$14,799.56		$14,706.00
Mosquito Control				
Salaries and Wages	$310.00	$309.20	$350.00	
Expense	2,290.00	2,228.51	2,650.00	
Total	$2,600.00	$2,537.71		3,000.00
Inspector of Animals				
Salaries and Wages	$65.00	$65.00	$65.00	65.00
Inspector of Slaughtering				
Salaries and Wages	$50.00	$50.00	$50.00	50.00
Total Health and Sanitation	$23,315.00	$17,452.27		$17,821.00
HIGHWAYS				
Highway Department				
Salaries and Wages	$31,510.00	$21,528.02	$31,425.00	
Expense	32,400.00	22,071.01	30,575.00	
Total	$63,910.00	$43,599.03		$62,000.00
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.	$8,000.00	$6,847.02	$8,000.00	8,000.00
Street Lights	9,970.00	9,439.82	11,300.00	11,300.00
Total Highways	$81,880.00	$59,885.87		$81,300.00
CHARITIES				
Department of Public Welfare				
Administration	$1,075.85	$1,075.85	$2,080.00	
Aid				
General Relief	5,141.00	4,853.75	4,000.00	
Old Age Assistance	28,127.72	26,980.85	27,000.00	
Aid to Dep. Children	13,006.95	12,206.52	12,000.00	
Disability Assistance	5,250.00	5,065.96	5,000.00	
Total Charities	$52,601.52	$50,182.93		$50,080.00

	1964 Appropriations As Modified	1964 Expended	1965 Budget	1965 Recommended Totals
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS				
Veterans' Service Dept.				
Salaries and Wages	$610.95	$610.95	$755.00	
Expense	42.00	42.00	50.00	
Aid	10,905.00	10,903.90	8,650.00	
Total Soldiers' Benefits	$11,557.95	$11,556.85		$9,455.00
SCHOOLS				
Local				
Salaries and Wages	$595,128.00	$588,541.26	$662,092.00	
Expense	158,085.00	163,566.29	166,695.00	
Out-of-State Travel	80.00	54.11	80.00	
Total Local	$753,293.00	$752,161.66		$828,867.00
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional	430,184.96	430,184.96		543,144.96
Total Schools	$1,183,477.96	$1,182,346.62		$1,372,011.96
LIBRARY				
Salaries and Wages	$17,760.77	$17,587.05	$20,456.00	
Expense	9,765.23	9,765.23	8,262.21	
Total	$27,526.00	$27,352.28		$28,718.21
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS				
Parks				
Salaries and Wages	$325.00	$235.91	$500.00	
Expense	150.00	141.56	250.00	
Total	$475.00	$377.47		$750.00
Playgrounds				
Salaries and Wages	$3,150.00	$2,363.09	$4,270.00	
Expense	2,786.26	2,392.61	1,650.00	
Total	$5,936.26	$4,755.70		5,920.00
Community Program	$6,480.00	$5,915.10	$6,480.00	6,480.00
Memorial and Independence Day	$200.00	$194.81	$200.00	200.00
Total Recreation and Celebrations	$13,091.26	$11,243.08		$13,350.00
PENSIONS				
Assessment — Hampden County Retirement System	$13,642.77	$13,642.77	$15,602.20	$15,602.20
UNCLASSIFIED				
Printing Town Reports	$4,016.62	$4,016.62	$4,000.00	
Insurance and Bonding	10,241.51	9,648.21	10,099.00	

	1964 Appropriations As Modified	1964 Expended	1965 Budget	1965 Recommended Totals
Industrial Development	600.00		100.00	
Conservation Commission	227.38	227.38	120.00	
Conservation Fund	6,500.00	5,580.00	1,500.00	
Total Unclassified	$21,585.51	$19,472.21		$15,819.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE				
Water Dept. — Maintenance				
Salaries and Wages	$10,488.00	$10,486.71	$10,600.00	
Expense	20,000.00	18,671.29	19,600.00	
Total Public Serv. Enter.	$30,488.00	$29,158.00		$30,200.00
CEMETERIES				
Salaries and Wages	$1,250.00	$849.78	$1,200.00	
Expense	1,125.00	490.00	950.00	
Total Cemeteries	$2,375.00	$1,339.78		$2,150.00
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST				
Maturing Debt				
School Bonds	$130,000.00	$130,000.00	$130,000.00	
Water Bonds	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Maturing Interest				
School Bonds	18,895.00	18,895.00	15,927.50	
Water Bonds	1,207.50	1,207.50	1,102.50	
Temporary Loan Interest	2,320.50	2,320.50	2,400.00	
Total Mat. Debt & Int.	$157,423.00	$157,423.00		$154,430.00
Total Article 5	$1,798,380.65	$1,751,088.26		$1,983,653.37

We also recommend appropriations under some Articles in the Warrant as follows:

		From Available Funds	From Tax Levy	1965 Recommended Totals
Article 4	Library	$1,220.77		$1,220.77
Article 6	Library	1,846.75		1,846.75
Article 7	Highway Dept. — Sander	2,850.00		2,850.00
Article 8	Highway Dept. — ½ Ton Truck	2,000.00		2,000.00
Article 9	Highway Dept. — 3½ Ton Truck	9,500.00		9,500.00
Article 10	Two Police Cruisers	3,200.00		3,200.00
Article 12	Sidewalk Construction	10,000.00	$34,800.00	44,800.00
Article 14	School Building Site Committee		2,000.00	2,000.00
Article 15	Resurface River Road		6,500.00	6,500.00
Article 16	Drainage — Stony Hill Rd.		16,875.00	16,875.00
Article 17	Construction — Soule Road		4,050.00	4,050.00
Article 18	Chapter 90 — Highway Const.	19,500.00	6,502.00	26,002.00
Article 19	Chapter 90 — Highway Maint.	5,000.00	2,502.00	7,502.00
Article 20	Chapter 81 — Highway Work	18,425.00	8,377.00	27,002.00
Article 21	Soule Road — Alterations		12,666.00	12,666.00
Article 22	Resurface Tinkham Road		12,750.00	12,750.00
Article 23	Green-Towne Bridge — Repairs	9,750.00		9,750.00
Article 24	Drainage — Tinkham Road		10,889.00	10,889.00
Article 28	Water Dept. — Installations	10,436.00		10,436.00
Article 29	Maps — Assessors and Planning Board		1,200.00	1,200.00
Article 32	Addressograph Equipment	5,870.00		5,870.00
Article 35	Reserve Fund	10,000.00	20,000.00	30,000.00
Article 36	Stabilization Fund	50,000.00	50,000.00	100,000.00
Article 40	Garbage Collection	6,000.00		6,000.00
Article 41	Prior Year's Bills — Veterans	227.60		227.60
		$165,826.12	$189,111.00	
	Total Special Articles			$354,937.12
	Total Recommendations			$2,338,590.49

SUMMARY

Appropriations recommended to be raised by taxation	$2,172,764.37
Appropriations recommended from available funds	165,826.12
	$2,338,590.49

Financial Statements

1964

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Certificate

I hereby certify that in compliance with Section 50 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws I have examined the books and accounts, all original bills and vouchers, and verified all cash balances. All accounts were found correct. I further certify that in compliance with Section 53 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws I have audited the accounts of all trust funds and found them correct.

JOSEPH A. REILLY, *Town Accountant*

Town of Wilbraham

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1964

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash:		
General		$431,092.95
Taxes Receivable:		
Levy of 1962:		
Real Estate		31.90
Levy of 1963:		
Personal Property	$190.35	
Real Estate	11,383.94	11,574.29
Levy of 1964:		
Personal Property	$2,257.48	
Real Estate	67,976.93	70,234.41
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1963	$1,101.78	
Levy of 1964	8,010.98	9,112.76
Accounts Receivable		15,845.16
Tax Titles		6,287.86
Aid to Highways:		
State	$6,232.20	
County	2,500.00	8,732.20
Underestimate:		
County Tax		350.31
Overlay Deficit:		
Levy of 1963		430.05

Liabilities and Reserves

Trust:		
Unclaimed Checks	$135.09	
Hines Family Burial Lot	65.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	29.07	$229.16
Water Guarantee Deposits		205.00
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$850.75	
Aid to Dependent Children	799.45	
Old Age Assistance	1,149.68	
Medical Aid for Aged	316.28	
School:		
Public Law 81-874	48,089.43	
Public Law 85-864	347.78	51,553.37
State Highway Grant		17,057.08
Revolving Fund:		
School Lunch Program		7,875.46
Appropriation Balances		68,562.04
Reserved for Appropriation:		
Road Machinery Fund	$9,713.07	
State Aid for Libraries	1,846.75	11,559.82
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		10,747.04
Overlay Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1962	$16,498.91	
Levy of 1964	3,141.55	19,640.46

			Reserves for Uncollected Accounts:		
			Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$9,112.76	
			Accounts Receivable	15,845.16	
			Tax Titles	6,287.86	
			Highway Aid	8,732.20	39,977.98
			Overestimate:		
			State Recreation Areas		337.59
			Surplus Revenue		325,946.89
		$553,691.89			$553,691.89

DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Assessments Not Due:			Apportioned Street Assessments Revenue:		
Street		$2,756.17	Due 1965 to 1983, Inclusive		$2,756.17

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded Debt:			Inside Debt Limit:		
Inside Debt Limit		$145,000.00	School Addition Loan		$145,000.00
Outside Debt Limit:			Outside Debt Limit:		
General	$550,000.00		General:		
Water	55,000.00	605,000.00	Memorial School Loan	$75,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1957	260,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1961	80,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1963	135,000.00	
			Water Loans — 1955	55,000.00	605,000.00
		$750,000.00			$750,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:			In Custody of Treasurer:		
Cash and Securities:			Stabilization Fund		$184,037.90
In Custody of Treasurer		$205,697.19	Charity Funds		339.72
In Custody of Trustees		204.53	School Funds		2,601.35
			Library Funds		1,682.47
			Cemetery Care Funds		15,726.20
			Soldiers Monument Park Fund		1,251.10
			Civil War Memorial Plaque Fund		58.45
			In Custody of Probate Court:		
			Hines Family Burial Lot Fund		204.53
		$205,901.72			$205,901.72

Recapitulation of Surplus Revenue — 1964

Balance January 1, 1964		$321,332.44
Deduct:		
Appropriations — March 14, 1964	$184,472.60	
Appropriations — June 13, 1964	8,000.00	
Appropriations — October 21, 1964	11,439.80	
Tax Title Taken	919.86	
Taxes 1964 — added to tax titles	1,539.83	206,372.09
		$114,960.35
Add:		
Additional Taxes	$48.10	
Highway Aid — State	48,157.55	
Highway Aid — County	22,050.00	
Highway Aid — Federal	9,954.34	
Tax Titles Redeemed	2,810.72	
Tax Titles Disclaimed	36.40	
Appropriation Balances	55,200.81	
Estimated Receipts in excess of estimate	72,728.62	210,986.54
Balance December 31, 1964		$325,946.89

Recapitulation of Estimated Receipts — 1964

	Assessors' Estimate	*Received*	*Excess (Deficiency)*
Income Tax	$128,258.84	$130,808.46	$2,549.62
Corporation Tax	38,323.82	37,473.17	(850.65)
Lieu of Taxes	1,406.60	1,406.60	
Meals Tax	1,756.94	2,560.20	803.26
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	215,000.00	254,144.86	39,144.86
Licenses	7,000.00	7,220.45	220.45
Permits		6,481.00	6,481.00
Fines	1,300.00	826.25	(473.75)
Special Assessments	2,000.00	1,811.89	(188.11)
General Government	2,600.00	3,846.84	1,246.84
Public Safety	6,500.00	1,298.21	(5,201.79)
Health and Sanitation	700.00	7,142.50	6,442.50
Charities	17,500.00	20,144.59	2,644.59
Old Age Assistance	9,000.00	9,671.98	671.98
Veterans' Services	1,200.00	1,944.42	744.42
Schools	52,985.00	55,207.20	2,222.20
Library	800.00	995.19	195.19
Water	76,000.00	91,222.91	15,222.91
Interest on Taxes	2,113.00	3,175.01	1,062.01
Interest on Savings	2,387.00	2,598.74	211.74
School Construction Grants	106,420.25	100,941.37	(5,478.88)
Farm Animal Excise		110.48	110.48
Miscellaneous		4,947.75	4,947.75
Total	$673,251.45	$745,980.07	$72,728.62

Statement of Cash Receipts

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1964

TAXES — LOCAL:			
Current Year's Levy:			
Real Estate	$1,196,692.02		
Personal Property	55,513.53	$1,252,205.55	
Prior Years' Levies:			
Real Estate	$53,400.07		
Personal Property	1,639.13		
Polls	4.00	55,043.20	
Other Local Taxes:			
Motor Vehicle Excise		267,725.49	
Farm Animal Excise		110.48	
Total Taxes — Local			$1,575,084.72
STATE SHARED TAXES:			
Income Tax:			
Valuation basis	$26,650.74		
Education basis	104,157.72	$130,808.46	
Corporation Tax		37,473.17	
Lieu of Taxes		1,406.60	
Total State Shared Taxes			169,688.23
LICENSES:			
Alcoholic Beverages		$6,255.00	
All Other		965.45	
Total Licenses			7,220.45
PERMITS:			
Marriage		$166.00	
Building		2,443.50	
Electrical		1,792.00	
Gas		485.00	
Plumbing		895.00	
Disposal		560.00	
Pistol		158.00	
Gasoline Storage		9.00	
Total Permits			6,508.50
FINES — COURT			826.25
GRANTS:			
Federal:			
Old Age Assistance	$17,333.10		
Aid to Families with Dep. Children	8,549.30		
Disability Assistance	3,651.00		

Medical Aid for Aged	13,783.56		
School Aid Public Law 874	13,357.00		
School Aid Public Law 864	248.93	$56,922.89	
State:			
Meals Tax (OAA)	$2,560.20		
Vocational Education	7,403.26		
School Construction	100,941.37		
Highways — Chapter 81	19,157.55		
Highway Aid	17,057.08		
Recreation Areas	2,729.50		
Library Aid	1,846.75	151,695.71	
County:			
Dog Fund		1,139.79	
Total Grants			209,758.39
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:			
Street Betterments:			
Unapportioned	$448.46		
Committed	340.31		
Paid in Advance	318.00	$1,106.77	
Water Betterments		705.12	
Total Special Assessments			1,811.89
FEES FOR CURRENT SERVICES:			
General Government:			
Collector's Fees	$1,704.20		
Town Clerk's Fees	1,201.25		
Municipal Liens	179.00		
Planning Board	346.54		
Board of Appeals	350.00		
State Taxes — Employer's Share	79.35	$3,860.34	
Public Safety:			
Accident Reports	$228.00		
Ambulance Service	845.00		
Fire Dept. Charges	84.16		
Sealer of Weights and Measures	144.05	1,301.21	
Health and Sanitation:			
Garbage Collection		7,193.75	
Highways:			
Road Machinery Earnings		9,206.55	
Schools:			
Tuition	$1,083.83		
Auditorium Rental	569.25		
Miscellaneous	110.06	1,763.14	

Library:			
Fines, Lost, Damaged Books		995.19	
Water Department:			
Water Rates	$80,011.91		
Installation Deposits	6,670.53		
Miscellaneous	4,546.47	91,228.91	
Total Fees for Current Services			115,549.09
REIMBURSEMENT FOR CURRENT EXPENSES:			
Highways — Chapter 90		$51,050.00	
Charities:			
General Relief	$1,433.35		
Aid to Families with Dep. Children	5,873.38		
Old Age Assistance	9,671.98		
Medical Aid for Aged	10,306.07		
Disability Assistance	2,531.79	29,816.57	
Veterans' Services		1,944.42	
Schools:			
Transportation	$42,440.80		
Youth Service Board	3,600.00	46,040.80	
Total Reimbursements			128,851.79
INTEREST INCOME:			
On Taxes		$2,702.39	
On Tax Titles		312.20	
On Savings		2,598.74	
Committed		160.60	
Total Interest Income			5,773.93
TRUST FUND INCOME:			
Hines Burial Lot		$8.16	
Bliss Family Burial Lot		176.06	
Total Trust Fund Income			184.22
AGENCY:			
Dog Licenses for County			1,673.75
TRUST:			
Payroll Deductions:			
Federal Taxes	$94,613.20		
State Taxes	11,667.46		
Retirement Fund	13,086.36		
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	5,184.84	$124,551.86	
Dog Officer's Fees		255.00	
School Lunch Program:			
Sales	$49,121.26		
Reimbursement — Federal and State	20,730.16	69,851.42	
Water Guarantee Deposits		409.07	
Total Trust			195,067.35

MISCELLANEOUS:			
Tax Anticipation Loan		$300,000.00	
Sale of Town Histories		1,883.00	
Sale of Bicentennial Plates		93.00	
Tax Titles Redeemed		2,810.72	
Refunds:			
Credited to Appropriations	$5,632.21		
Credited to Estimated Receipts	371.59	6,003.80	
Total Miscellaneous			310,790.52
Total 1964 Receipts			$2,728,789.08
Add Balance January 1, 1964			589,227.34
			$3,318,016.42
Less Cash Disbursements			2,886,923.47
Cash Balance December 31, 1964			$431,092.95

Statement of Cash Disbursements

Year Ended December 31, 1964

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen		
Salaries and Wages	$8,828.43	
Supplies and Postage	548.52	
Dues and Subscriptions	436.30	
Repairs — office equipment	70.41	
Equipment	38.95	
Miscellaneous	84.85	
Out-of-State Travel	62.76	$10,070.22
Accounting Department		
Salaries and Wages	$8,465.59	
Supplies	72.55	
Travel — Conferences	134.32	
Dues and Subscriptions	11.99	8,684.45
Town Treasurer		
Salaries and Wages	$4,958.42	
Supplies	502.95	
Car Allowance	100.00	
Miscellaneous	42.45	
Dues	6.00	5,609.82
Town Collector		
Salaries and Wages	$8,059.34	
Supplies and Postage	1,026.10	
Car Allowance	90.00	
Miscellaneous	126.50	

Travel — Conferences	31.76	
Dues	6.00	
Equipment	449.80	9,789.50
Board of Assessors		
Salaries and Wages	$10,205.53	
Supplies and Postage	990.25	
Outside Services	67.50	
Car Allowance	405.00	
Repairs — office equipment	67.50	
Dues and Subscriptions	39.00	
Miscellaneous	37.49	
Equipment	346.08	12,158.35
Assessors' and Planning Board Maps		2,500.00
Town Clerk		
Salaries and Wages	$3,996.71	
Supplies and Postage	112.08	
Travel — Conferences	63.49	
Dues	14.00	4,186.28
Legal		
Salaries	$2,875.00	
Damage		
Land	2,250.00	
Persons and Property	200.00	
Appraisal Fee	665.00	
Miscellaneous	39.78	6,029.78
Town Meeting and Election Expense		
Salaries and Wages	$2,599.90	
Auditorium Rental	262.00	
Ballots	100.00	
Supplies and Postage	210.82	
Miscellaneous	54.01	
Equipment	256.75	3,483.48
Registrars of Voters		
Salaries and Wages	$973.50	
Print Street Lists	199.58	
Supplies	28.36	1,201.44
Planning Board		
Salaries and Wages	$1,820.66	
Engineering Services	783.75	
Dues — Regional Planning	590.96	
Dues and Subscriptions	50.00	
Supplies and Postage	151.40	
Legal Notices	121.72	
Miscellaneous	72.99	3,591.48
Planning Board Master Plan		1,269.00

Board of Appeals			
Salaries and Wages	$689.59		
Supplies and Postage	18.87		
Legal Notices	82.96		
Recording Fees	44.00	835.42	
Town Offices and Building Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$1,489.85		
Utilities	2,973.94		
Heating fuel	484.37		
Janitorial supplies	206.74		
Repairs and replacements	537.07		
Miscellaneous	89.25	5,781.22	
Town Auditor		50.00	
Total — General Government			$75,240.44

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department			
Salaries and Wages	$31,862.21		
Cruiser operating expense	2,732.63		
Car Allowance	286.40		
Clothing	431.66		
Police Training School	205.50		
Mass. Safety Council	147.81		
Supplies	508.32		
Capital outlay	971.18	$37,145.71	
Police Cruiser		3,235.39	
Fire Department			
Salaries and Wages	$38,035.66		
Utilities	1,077.13		
Heating fuel	1,039.33		
Maintenance and repairs	1,372.85		
Gasoline and oil	601.71		
Hydrant rental	390.00		
Clothing	368.51		
Car Allowance	200.00		
Travel — Conferences	75.00		
Supplies	442.64		
Equipment	1,387.80	44,990.63	
Pest Control			
Salaries and Wages	$597.30		
Services — outside contractors	350.00		
Hired Equipment	230.00		
Supplies	319.79	1,497.09	
Dead Wood			
Salaries and Wages	$1,812.90		
Services — outside contractors	785.00		

Hired Equipment	732.00		
Supplies	168.86	3,498.76	
Tree Warden			
Salaries and Wages	$2,149.80		
Services — outside contractors	589.00		
Equipment Rental	750.00		
Supplies	331.14		
Maintenance and Repairs	100.15		
Trees	376.00	4,298.09	
Forest Warden			
Salaries and Wages	$435.00		
Car Allowance	200.00		
Supplies	103.79	738.79	
Building Inspector			
Salaries and Wages	$2,425.00		
Car Allowance	600.00		
Supplies	58.08	3,083.08	
Wiring Inspector			
Salary	$810.00		
Car Allowance	600.00		
Supplies	9.81	1,419.81	
Sealer of Weights and Measures			
Salary	$300.00		
Supplies	1.63	301.63	
Dog Officer			
Salary		150.00	
Civil Defense			
Salaries and Wages	$810.00		
Material	149.97		
Supplies	204.60		
Equipment	148.00	1,312.57	
Aid to Agriculture		125.00	
Total — Public Safety			101,796.55

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	
Salaries and Wages	$4,586.62
Dump expense	8,117.64
Power (pumping station)	652.85
Car Allowances	550.00
Drugs and nursing	422.48
Plumbing code	118.98

Engineering Services	195.00		
Supplies	155.99	$14,799.56	
Garbage Collection			
Services — outside contractor		7,280.00	
Inspector of Animals			
Salary		65.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering			
Salary		50.00	
Sewers			
Repair Parts		70.00	
Mosquito Control			
Salaries and Wages	$309.20		
Services — outside contractors	2,038.40		
Equipment Rental	152.00		
Supplies	38.11	2,537.71	
Total — Health and Sanitation			24,802.27

HIGHWAYS

Miscellaneous Highways			
Salaries and Wages	$21,528.02		
Materials	11,155.69		
Services — outside contractors	5,936.66		
Engineering services	1,982.50		
Supplies	1,208.75		
Perishable tools	994.18		
Heating fuel	220.05		
Repairs and maintenance	573.18	43,599.03	
Road Machinery Operating Account			
Gasoline and oil	$3,198.07		
Repairs — outside contractors	1,170.06		
Repair parts	2,328.19		
Supplies	150.70	6,847.02	
Street Lights		9,439.82	
Chapter 81			
Salaries and Wages	$9,359.60		
Materials	11,318.47		
Services — outside contractors	1,533.00		
Town equipment	4,590.85	26,801.92	
Chapter 90 Construction (1963)			
Salaries and Wages	$2,737.67		
Materials	4,404.13		
Services — outside contractors	2,892.50		
Town equipment	1,256.95	11,291.25	

Chapter 90 Construction (1964)			
Salaries and Wages	$3,667.01		
Materials	19,894.61		
Services — outside contractors	4,563.25		
Town equipment	2,520.60	30,645.47	
Chapter 90 Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$1,184.58		
Materials	4,833.61		
Services — outside contractors	645.50		
Town equipment	838.15	7,501.84	
Sidewalk Construction Art. 17			
Services — outside contractors	$20,297.00		
Engineering services	1,857.00		
Materials	309.77		
Land damages	612.94	23,076.71	
Sidewalk Construction Art. 18			
Services — outside contractors	$4,518.40		
Engineering services	325.00		
Materials	352.33	5,195.73	
Sidewalk Construction Art. 19			
Services — outside contractors	$12,001.58		
Engineering services	864.00		
Materials	902.58	13,768.16	
Sidewalk Construction Art. 20			
Services — outside contractors	$29,736.36		
Engineering services	1,369.00		
Materials	163.14	31,268.50	
Joan Street Construction			
Services — outside contractor		1,353.19	
Soule Road Construction			
Salaries and Wages	$2,848.22		
Materials	10,680.96		
Services — outside contractors	1,459.50		
Engineering services	353.00		
Land damages	527.51	15,869.19	
Resurface Stony Hill Road			
Salaries and Wages	$244.15		
Services — outside contractors	7,630.41		
Materials	100.70	7,975.26	
2½ Ton Truck		7,668.81	
Front End Loader		13,015.51	
Total — Highways			255,317.41

CHARITIES

Town Funds			
Administration	$1,075.85		
General Relief	4,853.75		
Old Age Assistance	26,980.85		
Aid to Dep. Children	12,206.52		
Disability Assistance	5,065.96	$50,182.93	
Federal Grants			
Old Age Assistance	$17,039.54		
Aid to Dep. Children	8,002.26		
Disability Assistance	3,196.00		
Medical Aid for Aged	13,917.52		
Old Age Assistance — Adm.	844.15	42,999.47	
Total — Charities			93,182.40

VETERANS' SERVICES

Salaries and Wages		$610.95	
Expenses		42.00	
Aid		10,903.90	
Total — Veterans' Services			11,556.85

SCHOOLS

Local			
Administration	$21,133.69		
Out-of-State travel	54.11		
Instruction	547,611.96		
Other School Services			
Attendance	6,256.71		
Health Services	8,610.53		
Transportation	61,470.36		
Student Body Activities	50.00		
Operation and Maintenance	83,459.37		
Fixed Charges	3,637.69		
New Equipment	5,259.10		
Tuition	14,618.14	$752,161.66	
Federal Funds			
Public Law 874		2,575.00	
Public Law 864		646.70	
Special Accounts			
Mile Tree School		195,162.84	
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District		430,184.96	
Total — Schools			1,380,731.16

TOWN LIBRARY

Salaries and Wages	$17,587.05	
Books	3,847.22	
Magazines and periodicals	853.80	
Supplies	856.00	

Rebinding books		189.13	
Utilities		557.65	
Heating fuel		898.48	
Maintenance materials		365.89	
Equipment		2,197.06	
Total — Library			27,352.28

RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

Parks			
Salaries and Wages	$235.91		
Services — outside contractors	90.00		
Supplies	51.56	$377.47	
Playgrounds			
Salaries and Wages	$2,363.09		
Transportation	1,400.00		
Supplies	420.15		
Maintenance and repairs	381.61		
Equipment	190.85	4,755.70	
Memorial and Independence Days		194.81	
Community Program		5,915.10	
Spec Pond			
Acquisition of site		22,904.20	
Bicentennial Celebration		113.45	
Total — Recreation and Celebrations			342,260.73

PENSIONS

Hampden County Retirement System Assessment			13,642.77

UNCLASSIFIED

Insurance			
Buildings and contents	$942.60		
Money and securities	200.00		
Workmen's Compensation	4,539.91		
Automobile liability	2,560.47		
Auto comprehensive and collision	898.16		
Ambulance contents	102.50		
Bonds	403.07	$9,648.21	
Printing Town Reports		4,016.62	
Town History		47.52	
Conservation Commission		227.38	
Conservation Fund		5,580.00	
Stabilization Fund		100,000.00	
Total — Unclassified			119,519.73

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE

Water Department			
Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$10,486.71		
Purchased Water	12,174.23		
Services — outside contractors	212.50		
Engineering services	174.05		
Repair parts	958.01		
Operating supplies	428.64		
Office Supplies and Postage	793.25		
Utilities	497.05		
Equipment maintenance	489.25		
Relocate hydrants	275.22		
Replace mains	2,669.09	$29,158.00	
Installations			
Salaries and Wages	$1,676.10		
Services — outside contractors	1,325.95		
Direct material	5,173.33		
Supplies	379.43	8,554.81	
Water Exploration Program			
Equipment rental		446.25	
Water Dept. Truck		2,154.64	
Total — Public Serv. Enterprise			40,313.70

CEMETERIES

Salaries and Wages	$814.78	
Interments	35.00	
Supplies	90.00	
Fence — Glendale	400.00	
Total — Cemeteries		1,339.78

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

Maturing Debt			
School Bonds	$130,000.00		
Water Bonds	5,000.00	$135,000.00	
Maturing Interest			
School Bonds	$18,895.00		
Water Bonds	1,207.50	20,102.50	
Interest			
Temporary Loan		2,320.50	
Total — Debt and Interest			157,423.00

STATE AND COUNTY CHARGES

State Audit of Accounts	$1,301.75		
State Recreation Areas	3,762.05		
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills	774.15	$5,837.95	
County Tax		15,996.67	
Total — State and County Charges			21,834.62

REFUNDS

On Taxes			
Real Estate	$10,771.45		
Personal Property	345.14		
Motor Vehicle Excise	13,580.63	$24,697.22	
General			
Garbage Collection	$51.25		
Water Miscellaneous	6.00		
Interest and costs	1.18		
Permits	43.00	101.43	
Total — Refunds			24,798.65

AGENCY

Dog licenses for county			1,673.75

TRUST

Federal Withholding Taxes		$94,613.20	
State Withholding Taxes		11,667.46	
County Retirement System		13,086.36	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield		5,184.84	
Water Guarantee Deposits		204.07	
Bliss Fund Income		176.06	
Dog Officer's Fees		255.00	
Advances to Employees		75.00	
School Lunch Program		76,875.39	
Total — Trust			202,137.38

MISCELLANEOUS

Temporary loan			300,000.00
Total — Cash Disbursements			$2,886,923.47

Stabilization Fund

Analysis of Changes — Year Ended December 31, 1964

Balance January 1, 1964		$80,774.64
Add:		
Appropriation March 14, 1964	$100,000.00	
Interest Earnings	3,263.26	103,263.26
Balance December 31, 1964		$184,037.90

Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures, and Balances — 1964

	Appropriations As Modified	Expended	Balances Forward	Balances Surplus
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Selectmen	$10,564.00	$10,007.46		$556.54
Out-of-State Travel	75.00	62.76		12.24
Accounting Department	8,790.00	8,684.45		105.55
Town Treasurer	5,689.76	5,609.82		79.94
Town Collector	9,959.50	9,789.50		170.00
Board of Assessors	13,497.00	12,158.35		1,338.65
Assessors' and Planning Board Maps	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Town Clerk	4,378.82	4,186.28		192.54
Legal Department	7,090.00	6,029.78		1,060.22
By-Laws Study Committee	98.91		$98.91	
Elections and Town Meeting Expense	3,483.48	3,483.48		
Registrars of Voters	1,262.00	1,201.44		60.56
Planning Board	4,590.50	3,591.48	375.63	623.39
Planning Board Master Plan	2,000.00	1,269.00	731.00	
Board of Appeals	905.00	835.42		69.58
Town Office and Bldg. Maint.	5,993.00	5,781.22		211.78
Town Auditor	50.00	50.00		
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Police Department	37,966.62	37,145.71		820.91
Police Cruiser	3,250.00	3,235.39		14.61
Fire Department	48,072.00	44,990.63		3,081.37
Pest Control	1,500.00	1,497.09		2.91
Dead Wood	3,500.00	3,498.76		1.24
Tree Warden	4,300.00	4,298.09		1.91
Forest Warden	900.00	738.79		161.21
Building Inspector	3,200.00	3,083.08		116.92
Wiring Inspector	1,460.00	1,419.81		40.19
Sealer of Wgts. and Measures	315.00	301.63		13.37
Dog Officer	150.00	150.00		
Civil Defense	1,600.00	1,312.57		287.43
Aid to Agriculture	125.00	125.00		
HEALTH AND SANITATION				
Board of Health	20,600.00	14,799.56		5,800.44
Garbage Collection	7,280.00	7,280.00		
Inspector of Animals	65.00	65.00		
Inspector of Slaughtering	50.00	50.00		
Sewers	227.51	70.00	157.51	
Sewers Engineering Survey	2,500.00		2,500.00	
Sewer Construction	14,000.00		14,000.00	
Sewer Rental	1,000.00			1,000.00
Mosquito Control	2,600.00	2,537.71		62.29
HIGHWAYS				
Highway Department	63,910.00	43,599.03		20,310.97

	Appropriations As Modified	Expended	Balances Forward	Surplus
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.	8,000.00	6,847.02		1,152.98
Street Lights	9,970.00	9,439.82		530.18
Chapter 81	26,802.00	26,801.92		.08
Chapter 90 Maint.	7,502.00	7,501.84		.16
Chapter 90 Const. — 1963	11,292.68	11,291.25		1.43
Chapter 90 Const. — 1964	30,647.07	30,645.47		1.60
Sidewalk Const. Art. 17	30,939.00	23,076.71	7,862.29	
Sidewalk Const. Art. 18	5,633.29	5,195.73	437.56	
Sidewalk Const. Art. 19	21,323.00	13,768.16	7,554.84	
Sidewalk Const. Art. 20	34,903.00	31,268.50	3,634.50	
Joan Street Const.	1,815.00	1,353.19		461.81
Soule Road Const.	17,057.08	15,869.19	1,187.89	
Resurface Stony Hill Rd.	8,821.00	7,975.26		845.74
2½ Ton Truck	8,000.00	7,668.81		331.19
Front End Loader	14,000.00	13,015.51		984.49
Resurface Main and Springfield Streets	446.00			446.00
CHARITIES				
Department of Public Welfare				
Administration	1,075.85	1,075.85		
General Relief	5,141.00	4,853.75		287.25
Old Age Assistance	28,127.72	26,980.85		1,146.87
Aid to Dep. Children	13,006.95	12,206.52		800.43
Disability Assistance	5,250.00	5,065.96		184.04
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS				
Veterans' Services	11,557.95	11,556.85		1.10
SCHOOLS				
Local				
Regular Operating	753,213.00	752,107.55		1,105.45
Out-of-State Travel	80.00	54.11		25.89
Building Plans	600.42			600.42
Mile Tree School	210,270.28	195,162.84	15,107.44	
Pines Addition	508.04		508.04	
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional	430,184.96	430,184.96		
LIBRARY				
Town Library	27,526.00	27,352.28	173.72	
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS				
Parks	475.00	377.47		97.53
Playgrounds	5,936.26	4,755.70		1,180.56
Spec Pond	22,904.20	22,904.20		
Memorial-Independence Days	200.00	194.81		5.19
Community Program	6,480.00	5,915.10		564.90
Bicentennial Celebrations	113.45	113.45		

	Appropriations As Modified	Expended	Balances Forward	Surplus
PENSIONS				
County Retirement Assessment	13,642.77	13,642.77		
UNCLASSIFIED				
Printing Town Reports	4,016.62	4,016.62		
Insurance and Bonding	10,241.51	9,648.21		593.30
Town History	10,549.37	47.52	10,501.85	
Conservation Commission	227.38	227.38		
Conservation Fund	6,500.00	5,580.00	920.00	
Removal of Buildings	500.00		500.00	
Decennial Census	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Industrial Development	600.00			600.00
Stabilization Fund	100,000.00	100,000.00		
Reserve Fund	25,000.00			10,697.88
	(14,302.12)			
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE				
Water Department				
Maintenance	30,488.00	29,158.00		1,330.00
Installations	12,733.00	8,554.81		4,178.19
Truck	2,300.00	2,154.64		145.36
Water Explor. Program	1,067.46	446.25	621.21	
Water Mains	689.65		689.65	
CEMETERIES	2,375.00	1,339.78		1,035.22
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST				
Maturing Debt				
School Bonds	130,000.00	130,000.00		
Water Bonds	5,000.00	5,000.00		
Maturing Interest				
School Bonds	18,895.00	18,895.00		
Water Bonds	1,207.50	1,207.50		
Temp. Loan Interest	2,320.50	2,320.50		
Totals	$2,424,351.94	$2,290,257.90	$68,562.04	$65,532.00

Reconciliation

Balance Jan. 1, 1964	$242,922.75	Surplus	$55,200.81
Appropriations — 1964	2,175,796.98	Road Machinery Fund	331.19
Refunds	5,632.21	Overlay Surplus	10,000.00
	$2,424,351.94		$65,532.00

Non-Appropriation Expenditures — 1964

Federal Grants:		
Department of Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	$844.15	
Aid	17,039.54	
Aid to Dependent Children	8,002.26	
Disability Assistance	3,196.00	
Medical Aid for Aged	13,917.52	$42,999.47
School Department:		
Public Law 874	$2,575.00	
Public Law 864	646.70	3,221.70
State and County Charges:		
State Audit of Accounts	$1,301.75	
State Recreation Areas	3,762.05	
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills	774.15	
County Tax	15,996.67	21,834.62
Refunds:		
On Taxes:		
Real Estate	$10,771.45	
Personal Property	345.14	
Motor Vehicle Excise	13,580.63	
General:		
Garbage Collection	51.25	
Water Miscellaneous	6.00	
Interest and costs	1.18	
Permits	43.00	24,798.65
Agency:		
Dog licenses for County		1,673.75
Trust:		
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Withholding Taxes	$94,613.20	
State Withholding Taxes	11,667.46	
County Retirement System	13,086.36	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	5,184.84	
Water Guarantee Deposits	204.07	
Bliss Fund Income	176.06	
Dog Officer's Fees	255.00	
Advances to Employees	75.00	
School Lunch Program	76,875.39	202,137.38
Miscellaneous:		
Repayment of Tax Anticipation Loan		300,000.00
Non-Appropriation Expenditures		$596,665.57
Add — Appropriation Expenditures		2,290,257.90
Total Expenditures per Warrants		$2,886,923.47

Town of Wilbraham

Bonded Indebtedness

December 31, 1964

Maturity Year	1949 Memorial School	1953 Addition Memorial and Pines	1957 Addition Stony Hill School	1961 Addition Pines School	1963 New Elementary School	1955 Water Bonds	Total
1965	$15,000	$20,000	$20,000	$40,000	$35,000	$5,000	$135,000
1966	15,000	20,000	20,000	40,000	35,000	5,000	135,000
1967	15,000	15,000	20,000		35,000	5,000	90,000
1968	15,000	15,000	20,000		30,000	5,000	85,000
1969	15,000	15,000	20,000			5,000	55,000
1970		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1971		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1972		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1973		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1974			20,000			5,000	25,000
1975			20,000			5,000	25,000
1976			20,000				20,000
1977			20,000				20,000
Totals	$75,000	$145,000	$260,000	$80,000	$135,000	$55,000	$750,000

The unpaid balance of State Grants-in-Aid payable over the life of the outstanding School Construction Bonds is $439,785.08. In addition the Town is contingently liable for 77.5% of the $1,400,000 balance and 79.97% of the $1,000,000 balance of Minnechaug Regional High School Planning, Construction, and Building Addition loans.

Statement of Legal Debt Margin

As of December 31, 1964

Assessed Value — Average of three preceding years			$53,621,811
Debt Limit 5 Percent of Assessed Value			$2,681,090
Amount of Debt applicable to Debt Limit			
Total Bonded Debt		$750,000	
Less:			
Water Bonds	$55,000		
Bonds Outside Limit	550,000	605,000	
Total Amount of Debt applicable to Debt Limit			145,000
Legal Debt Margin			$2,536,090

NOTE — Debt limit established by Section 10, Chapter 44 of the General Laws. Assessed Value includes motor vehicles and trailers.

Accounts Receivable

As of December 31, 1964

	Total	1964	1963	1962
Special Assessments:				
Unapportioned	$281.64	$281.64		
Street Betterments	79.00	49.00	$30.00	
Interest	26.40	17.00	9.40	
Departmental:				
Ambulance Service	710.00	510.00	160.00	$40.00
Licenses	150.25	150.25		
Reimbursements:				
General Relief	95.00		95.00	
Aid to Dependent Children	2,794.40	2,794.40		
Old Age Assistance	138.30		138.30	
Veterans' Services	4,719.08	4,719.08		
Water:				
Rates	6,506.86	6,435.14	71.72	
Miscellaneous	344.23	344.23		
Total	$15,845.16	$15,300.74	$504.42	$40.00

Statement of Trust Funds

	Balance Jan. 1, 1964	Receipts	Balance Dec. 31, 1964
Chloe B. Stebbins Charity Fund	$326.54	$13.18	$339.72
Deacon Warriner School Fund	1,224.74	49.46	1,274.20
School Lot Fund	1,274.85	52.30	1,327.15
Chloe B. Stebbins Library Fund	183.11	7.38	190.49
Abner E. Bell Library Fund	72.90	2.92	75.82
Henry Cutler Library Funds	1,361.20	54.96	1,416.16

	Balance Jan. 1, 1964	Receipts	Balance Dec. 31, 1964
Civil War Mortar Memorial Plaque Fund	57.19	1.26	58.45
Soldiers' Monument Park Fund	1,202.54	48.56	1,251.10
G. Frank Adams	406.21	16.40	422.61
Charles L. Amadon	245.13	9.90	255.03
John W. Baldwin	544.92	22.33	567.25
Bishop Lot	250.48	10.10	260.58
Henry A. Bowker	169.09	6.82	175.91
Edward H. Brewer	702.28	28.36	730.64
Laura Bruuer	1,186.71	47.92	1,234.63
Albro Bryant	120.79	4.94	125.73
Philip & Angeline R. Butler	150.17	6.16	156.33
Henry C. Butler and Herbert F. Green	188.11	7.72	195.83
James A. Butler	251.01	10.30	261.31
Ethelbert Bliss	1,962.20	214.44	2,176.64
William Butler	169.09	6.82	175.91
Abel B. Calkins	232.19	9.53	241.72
Charles M. Calkins	150.17	6.16	156.33
Howard Calkins	331.32	13.36	344.68
Emma Carson	84.91	3.40	88.31
Inez V. Chilson	170.19	6.86	177.05
Henry Clark	169.08	6.82	175.90
Frederick Coon	70.20	2.82	73.02
Evalina H. Copeland	150.17	6.16	156.33
Lucy M. Dane	120.83	4.94	125.77
Hiram Danks	118.99	4.78	123.77
Dasco Lot	311.17	12.56	323.73
J. W. Dunsmore	236.17	9.52	245.69
F. A. Fuller & Marshall A. Lane	526.04	21.24	547.28
Charles H. Gates	150.17	6.16	156.33
Harriet Gates	241.98	9.91	251.89
Blanche B. Gilbert	233.04	9.56	242.60
W. H. Graves	118.45	4.76	123.21
Benjamin B. Green	150.17	6.16	156.33
B. Franklin Greene	120.79	4.94	125.73
Fred W. Green	150.17	6.16	156.33
Henry Green	161.93	6.52	168.45
Lora M. Green	94.37	3.87	98.24
Eliza V. Jones	169.08	6.82	175.90
Anna C. Kibbe	170.74	6.88	177.62
Abraham Knowlton	120.98	4.95	125.93
Charles R. Knowlton	169.09	6.82	175.91
George E. Knowlton	241.68	9.90	251.58
Etta Simmons May	236.79	9.54	246.33
Angeline P. Morgan	121.45	4.98	126.43
Charles North	306.46	12.36	318.82
Charles J. Parker	362.73	14.87	377.60
Inez M. Perry	150.17	6.16	156.33
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Ira G. Potter	170.72	6.88	177.60
P. P. Potter	120.90	4.95	125.85

	Balance Jan. 1, 1964	Receipts	Balance Dec. 31, 1964
William H. Read	237.44	9.58	247.02
Jesse L. Rice	237.40	9.58	246.98
Frank R. & Hattie E. Rindge	106.76	4.37	111.13
Allyn M. Seaver	239.47	9.82	249.29
Spear-Butler Lot	311.66	12.56	324.22
Chloe B. Stebbins	118.47	4.76	123.23
Luther & Milton Stebbins	237.32	9.58	246.90
Frances E. Stebbins	299.30	12.28	311.58
Elizabeth B. Tupper	59.33	2.38	61.71
Martha E. Smith	85.59	3.50	89.09
Nellie Spencer	120.79	4.94	125.73
	$20,686.25	$973.04	$21,659.29

Town Collector's Report

Taxes	*Outstanding Jan. 1, 1964*	*Committed*	*Refunds*	*Cash Paid Treasurer*	*Abated*	*Transfers*	*Outstanding Dec. 31, 1964*
Real Estate 1951 through 1962 1961	$38.95			$38.95			
Real Estate 1962	66.64					(1) $66.64	
Real Estate 1963	11,727.99			10,942.59	$358.60	(1) 394.90	$31.90
Poll Tax		$4.00*		4.00*			
Personal Property	1,968.13		$7.05	1,639.13	145.70		190.35
Real Estate 1964	54,040.89		839.60	42,418.53	656.20	(1) 421.82	11,383.94
Personal Property		58,017.23	338.09	55,513.53	584.31		2,257.48
Real Estate		1,273,792.84	10,035.80	1,196,692.02	17,619.86	1,539.83	67,976.93
Motor Vehicle Excise							
1962	276.73	123.75*		123.75*	276.73		
1963	38,701.84	10,902.74	4,456.66	45,450.03	7,538.03		1,101.78
		28.60*					
1964		239,798.39	9,123.97	222,151.71	18,759.67		8,010.98

Farm Animal Excise							
1964		110.48		110.48			
Water Betterments —							
Unapportioned	705.12			705.12			
Street Betterments —							
Unapportioned	871.48			106.00		(2)765.48	
Street Betterments —							
Unapportioned		624.10		342.46			281.64
1962	30.00			30.00			
1963	43.00			13.00			30.00
1964		346.31		297.31			49.00
Committed Interest							
1962	10.60			10.60			
1963	14.88			5.48			9.40
1964		161.52		144.52			17.00
Ambulance Service	400.00	1,115.00		845.00			710.00
Ambulance Service		40.00*					
Departmental Accounts Receivable							
Selectmen's Licenses	158.25	7,143.70		7,144.20	7.50		150.25
Garbage Collections		8,127.50	51.25	7,193.75	985.00		
General Relief		1,528.35		750.90		682.45	95.00

TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT (Continued)

Taxes	*Outstanding Jan. 1, 1964*	*Committed*	*Refunds*	*Cash Paid Treasurer*	*Abated*	*Transfers*	*Outstanding Dec. 31, 1964*
Disability Assistance		2,531.79		2,531.79			
Aid Family Dep. Children	2,104.04	6,563.74		5,873.38			2,794.40
Old Age Assist.	283.91	4,654.10		4,799.71			138.30
Med. Aid for Aged		10,306.07		10,306.07			
Veterans' Services	1,453.94	5,218.07		1,944.42	8.51		4,719.08
Water Department							
Rates	3,212.62	83,329.53		80,011.91	23.38		6,506.86
Miscellaneous	1,934.08	9,853.89	6.00	4,546.47	232.74	(3) 6,670.53	344.23
	$118,043.09	$1,724,321.70	$24,858.42	$1,702,686.81	$47,196.23	$10,541.65	$106,798.52

Items collected but not committed:

Interest on Delinquent Taxes	$2,702.21
Costs on Delinquent Taxes	1,703.20
Municipal Liens and Discharges	179.00
Apportioned Assessment Paid in Advance	318.00
History Books	1,880.00
Cartons for History Books	3.00
CASH PAID TREASURER	$1,709,472.22

(1) To Tax Titles
(2) Added to Taxes
(3) From Water Deposits

* Paid After Abatement

MARK E. REYNOLDS, *Town Collector*

Town Clerk's Report

RECEIPTS

Dog Licenses		
409 Males at $2.00	$818.00	
357 Spayed Females at $2.00	714.00	
64 Females at $5.00	320.00	
3 Kennel at $10.00	30.00	$1,882.00
Sporting Licenses		
270 Resident Fishing at $4.25	$1,147.50	
147 Resident Hunting at $4.25	624.75	
124 Resident Sporting at $7.25	899.00	
45 Resident Fishing (Minor) at $2.25	101.25	
54 Resident Fishing (Female) at $3.25	175.50	
1 Resident Trapping at $7.75	7.75	
4 Special Non-Resident Fishing at $4.25	17.00	
9 Non-Resident Citizen Fishing at $8.75	78.75	
3 Alien Fishing at $8.75	26.25	
6 Non-Resident Citizen Hunting at $15.25	91.50	
7 Duplicate Licenses at $0.50	3.50	
47 Resident Citizen Sporting (Free)		3,172.75
Marriage Licenses		
55 at $2.00	$110.00	
14 at $4.00	56.00	166.00
Miscellaneous		
Recording Financing Statements	$609.00	
Copies of Records	136.50	
Pole Locations	46.00	
Gasoline Storage Permits	9.00	
Miscellaneous	35.75	836.25
		$6,057.00

PAYMENTS

County — Dog Licenses		$1,673.75
Division of Fisheries and Game		3,007.00
Clerk's Fees		
833 Dogs at $0.25	$208.25	
663 Fishing, Hunting and Sporting Licenses at $0.25	165.75	
Marriage Licenses	166.00	
Recording Financing Statements	609.00	
Copies of Records	136.50	
Pole Locations	46.00	
Gasoline Storage Permits	9.00	
Miscellaneous	35.75	1,376.25
		$6,057.00

VITAL STATISTICS

	1964*	1963	1962
Births Recorded			
Males	62	77	69
Females	57	74	49
	119	151	118

* 1964 Incomplete. November and December records from Springfield not received at date of printing.

	1964	1963	1962
Marriages Recorded	75	77	75
Deaths Recorded			
Males	27	34	33
Females	30	29	24
	57	63	57

DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

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LOCAL EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire Department

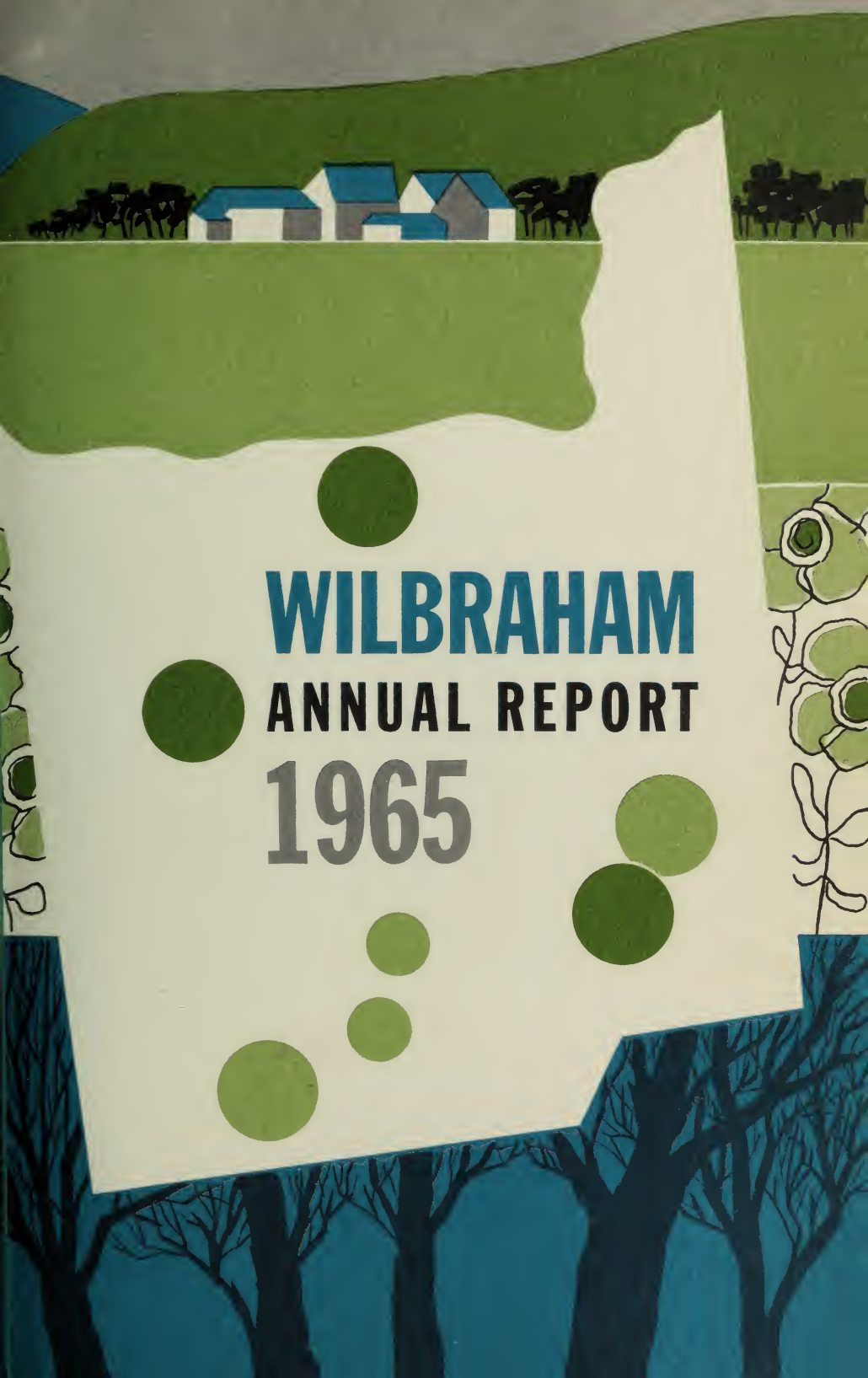
TO REPORT A FIRE OR AN EMERGENCY 6-3111
Station — Boston Road — Fire Permits 6-3122
Chief Tupper 6-3014

Police

Local Police 6-3837
If no answer call:
STATE POLICE 283-5671
Chief Leary 6-3376

Civil Defense **6-3838**

Department	*Call*	*Telephone*
Assessors	Assessors	6-3816
Birth, Death, Marriage Certificates	Town Clerk	6-3816
Board of Health	Selectmen	6-3816
Building Permits	Town Clerk	6-3816
	Inspector	6-4885
Charities and Relief	Welfare Department	525-2750
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	6-3816
Dog Roaming	Dog Officer	6-3624
Fishing & Hunting Licenses	Town Clerk	6-3816
Forest Warden	Fire Chief	6-3122
Highways	Superintendent	6-3060
Library	Librarian	6-4461
Planning Board	Secretary	6-3816
Rubbish, Garbage Disposal	Selectmen	6-3816
School	Minnechaug	6-6161
School	Pines	6-4974
School	Memorial	6-3465
School	Mile Tree	6-6921
School	Stony Hill	6-4974
School Nurse	Memorial	6-3465
Selective Service System	Local Board No. 84 Main St., Palmer	283-8836
Supt. of Schools	Minnechaug	6-4266
Taxes	Town Collector	6-3816
Town Treasurer	Treasurer	6-3816
Trees	Tree Warden	6-4675
Veterans' Services	Veterans' Agent	525-3305
Visiting Nurse	Visiting Nurse Assoc. Springfield	732-4145
Water Department	Superintendent	6-3816
		6-3060
	Sundays and Holidays	6-3413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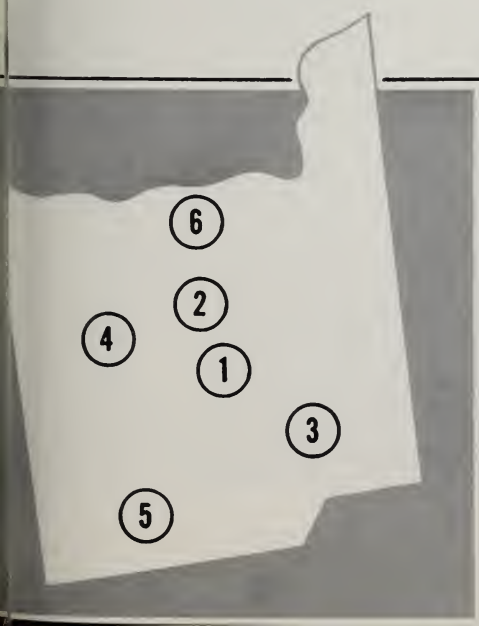
WILBRAHAM MASSACHUSETTS

"Preparing for the future through conservation" could well be the theme of our 1965 cover and Town Report.

Areas marked on the map indicate properties already acquired by gift or purchase. These areas are now available for development at our convenience, and will add immeasurably to the beauty of Wilbraham.



1. Bruuer Pond area — Main Street (purchased)
2. Lot on Fox Hill Drive (gift of Mr. A. Liquori)
3. 4 ½ acres on Rattlesnake Peak — Dietz land (purchased)
4. 8 ½ acres off Stony Hill Road (Gift of Elizabeth C. P. Bacon)
5. Approximately 50 acres, James Bennett property, Soule and Stony Hill Roads. Part of a "cluster zoning" plan, this parcel will be conveyed to the Town by Mr. Bennett and transferred to the Conservation Commission when building layout is completed.
6. Spec Pond area — Boston Road

Facts About Wilbraham

Settled:	1731
Incorporated:	1763
Location:	Eight miles east of Springfield
Area:	Twenty-two square miles
Population:	Approximately 9700
Form of Government:	Town Meeting
Tax Rate:	$25.50
Number of Dwellings:	2,703
Property Valuation:	$57,496,645.00
Town Offices:	North Main Street — Telephone 596-3816
Public Schools:	Pines, Stony Hill, Memorial, Mile Tree, Minnechaug Regional High
Private Schools:	Wilbraham Academy
Nurseries and Kindergartens:	Rev. Helen D. Thomas, 6-4030 500 Main Street Mrs. Edward J. Hollis, 6-6568 791 Ridge Road Mrs. Alexander R. Evans, 6-3371 478 Glendale Road Mrs. Lawson B. Little, 6-3338 477 Dipping Hole Road Mrs. Henry V. Zanetti, 6-4726 8 Nakomis Road Mrs. Lincoln A. Dexter, 6-4668 4 Meadow View Road
Fire Protection:	Stations at Wilbraham and North Wilbraham. Telephone 596-3111 for fire, ambulance and emergencies; telephone 596-3122 for all other calls.
Police:	Station at Town Office — Telephone 596-3837 Chief John S. Leary 596-3376 State Police 283-5671
Recreational Facilities:	Three playgrounds, swimming beach

Town Highways:	Approximately 67 miles
Public Library:	Boston Road, North Wilbraham — Telephone 596-6141 Library hours: Weekdays, 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. (Tues. and Thurs. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.) Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Saturdays during July and August
Churches:	Six — Wilbraham United Church, Grace Union Church (Congregational — No. Wilbraham), Glendale Methodist, Church of the Epiphany (Episcopal), St. Cecilia's (Roman Catholic), Christ the King (Lutheran)
Highest Altitude:	937 feet — Mount Chapin

Volunteers start the annual attack on poison ivy.

Selectmen's Report

Growth continued to be the major characteristic of Wilbraham during the past year. The increased number of homes necessitated expansion of the existing services and planning of future capital expenditures. The town meetings approved a new junior high school, water main extensions, increased police protection, road improvements, and numerous other items. The major areas that have been of concern to the Selectmen are outlined in the following report.

Highways, Drainage and Sewers

For the third year, the available Chapter 90 reconstruction money was expended to finish the Dipping Hole Road project. Reconstruction of portions of Soule Road to eliminate several curves was not completed due to delays caused by the unavailability of an engineering firm to lay out the road and lack of heavy construction equipment. On recommendation of the Town Engineer, drainage and surfacing on Tinkham Road has been held up to see if the voters will approve complete rebuilding of this heavily traveled highway.

The program of street lighting was continued with emphasis on the heavily traveled streets and intersections. The lighting on Stony Hill Road from Boston Road to the city line was updated and improved. Springfield Street from Stony Hill Road to the city line also was improved. Main Street from Burt Lane to Faculty Street was upgraded to provide a higher light level. Unlighted areas of North Main Street were corrected. Boston Road from the fire station to the underpass was upgraded to provide a high level of illumination in this area.

The drainage study authorized by a previous town meeting has been completed. An article is included in the 1966 town warrant to provide a five year program contingent on participation of the Federal Government. Several small drainage lines were installed to eliminate local water problems.

The annual meeting request for an interest-free loan to permit an engineering study of the Town's sewerage needs was approved by the government. The report will be completed in mid-1966 and the first portion of the program will be ready for voter action at a later date. The Town is on notice to cease dumping raw sewage into the Chicopee River by 1967. A positive action to comply with the notice will be acceptable by the State.

Committees and Personnel

A number of new committees authorized by town meeting vote and Selectmen were appointed to complete various programs. Among these were: Housing for the Elderly, Junior High School Building Committee, Community Action Committee on Poverty, Future School Site, Town Building Survey Committee, and Recreation Committee.

A major step in providing guidance on future planning and capital construction was the hiring of a Town Engineer as authorized at the annual meeting. Mr. Walter F. Markett, Jr. has been evaluating our highway, drainage, and water main extensions since his employment. On his recommendation, several articles concerning engineering and construction have been included in the annual meeting warrant for your consideration.

The police communication system has been corrected on an interim basis by the employment of three dispatchers who receive calls during the off-hours when the office is closed. The daylight communications have also been much improved by limiting the availability of two telephone lines for police use only. The police dispatching is now on the same basis as the Fire Department and should be satisfactory until a central radio dispatch system for all town departments is set up.

A number of offices vacated for health or personal reasons were filled by appointments. An exception to this was the resignation of Selectman Sidney Low and the decision to hold a special election to fill the vacancy. Mr. William Leonard was elected to the Board.

Starting January 1, 1966, Dr. Ronald G. North will serve as Dog Officer and Inspector of Animals. The need for facilities and personnel to impound stray dogs until their disposal had become an acute one. The Springfield S.P.C.A. was unable to provide the necessary assistance. The destroying of unclaimed dogs by shooting will be replaced by more humane methods. Emergency treatment for injured dogs will also be available.

Industrial growth has been slow due to the limited industrial land available. During the past year the Friendly Ice Cream Corp. completed a new addition; Wilbraham Manufacturing Company finished their new building; K's Diner was erected; and improvements were made on other business and industrial properties.

General

To prevent indiscriminate cutting of trees, all utility applications for extensions and relocations are now reviewed by the Tree Warden before granting a permit. In line with this, street cutting regulations, prepared by the Town Engineer, have been adopted and will improve a rather exasperating condition.

During the past year, the license fees for various businesses and permits have been reviewed, and adjustments made to upgrade them in respect to services required and value obtained.

The various lawsuits of the East Boston Savings Bank against the Town have been compromised and settled by mutual agreement. The Bank has relaid the water mains and will reinstall the improperly laid street drains. They will also put in a proper sub-base and surface on the roadways; guarantee the underground sewage disposal system for one year, and grant a ten foot easement for installation of utilities where homes have less than the required setback. The Town will forego the setback requirement in view of the easement granted and will grant occupancy permits. A suit by Mira Inc. against the individual Planning Board members must still be resolved.

A variety of public hearings were held, including "Crossing of the Public Ways by the Western Massachusetts Electric Co." and installation of a community antenna service. The former was an end to the long litigation against W.M.E. Co. constructing its high voltage line through the Town and permission was granted because of lack of support by other towns and adverse decisions of the State Department of Public Utilities. A decision on the latter will be withheld to see if a uniform set of rules and regulations will be adopted by either the State or Federal power commissions relative to community antenna systems.

The Special Town Meeting held in the fall of 1965 provided funds to implement the plans of the Junior High School Building Committee. Funds were also approved for the acquisition of land for the town dump, school site, and conservation purposes.

In view of the difficulty in granting payment for injuries occurring in public buildings, the Town Office has been incorporated into the insurance coverage to protect those using the building.

The loss on short notice of one of the Town's two doctors has created a problem for many residents. The Massachusetts Medical Society and other agencies have been requested to assist in settling a new doctor in Town.

Another of the Town's old landmarks, "Sullivan's Auto Inn," has passed into history. The old inn, famous at one time as a stopping place for the early motorists, had fallen into disrepair in recent years and had to be condemned.

The Selectmen complied with the colonial law which requires periodic viewing of the Town bounds with the Selectmen of the adjoining towns. This year the bounds shared with Palmer, Monson, Hampden, and East Longmeadow were viewed. One boundary marker shared with Palmer was found in need of repair.

Summation

During the past few years the town meeting members have approved many planning projects. In 1966, the implementation of a part of these plans is proposed. At the annual meeting, you will also have an opportunity to accelerate our road rebuilding program beyond that provided by the meager Chapter 90 and Chapter 81 highway funds. The articles entered into the warrant relative to changes in town government are in line with steps taken in other communities as they increased in size.

We ask your thoughtful judgement on each article so that Wilbraham will continue to grow as an attractive, progressive community where the full value of each expenditure is obtained.

Sidney Low (Resigned)	William Sullivan, Jr.
Edward H. Godfrey, *Chairman*	William E. Leonard

NOTE: The Board regretted very much, that because of business obligations Sidney Low was forced to resign as chairman in October. His contributions to Wilbraham both as a Selectman and as a Water Commissioner are well recognized throughout our Town and we gratefully acknowledge his efforts.

Wilbraham's new "Mile Tree" was planted in 1965, replacing the old Mile Tree which died of old age and malnutrition.

Report of the Wilbraham School Committee

The Wilbraham School Committee annual report attempts to highlight briefly the effectiveness of this elected committee in its policy-making functions and management duties in the local public school system. As defined in Chapter 71 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, the School Committee shall have general charge of all the public schools. In carrying out its responsibilities, the committee develops operating policies, approves textbooks and the program of study, elects personnel, determines class size and districting of pupils to buildings, and establishes the annual operating budget.

Enrollment in 1965 continued to increase as it has annually since 1948. The school statistics section of this report shows 1860 pupils in grades 1-8 on October 1, 1965 as compared to 1764 on the same date a year earlier. The census report and the studies by the School Survey Committee, the School Building Committee, and the Technical Planning Associates indicate substantial annual increases in pupil enrollment for the next ten years.

The need for classrooms in September, 1965 was solved on a temporary basis by renting two rooms in the Minnechaug High School addition from the District Committee. Two sixth grade classes are housed in these facilities, with supervision, lunches, library, music, and physical education being scheduled as a part of the Mile Tree School.

The School Committee is exploring alternatives for handling the projected enrollment increase in September, 1966. Libraries and special services including speech therapy and counselling in the elementary schools may be scheduled on auditorium stages or curtailed, the Springfield Street three-room school may be reactivated as a public school facility, and class sizes may be substantially increased above the present desirable figure. September, 1967 is a critical year, with temporary compression in the educational program inevitable.

The new Wilbraham Junior High School must be completed and ready for occupancy in September, 1968 if a major dislocation of the educational program is to be avoided.

The development of the school budget is a major responsibility of the School Committee. To provide an above-average instructional program, the committee must have the funds to employ

trained, experienced teachers, purchase textbooks and supplies, and maintain the buildings in a safe and sanitary condition. The financial section of this report shows the 1965 budget and expenditures by classification as well as the 1966 budget.

The citizens of Wilbraham and the School Committee members are vitally concerned with the quality of the educational program and with the cost of operations. It is reasonable to expect a better than average educational opportunity for the pupils when a higher than average per pupil expenditure exists. What are the educational results and operating costs in Wilbraham? Over a 10 year period, Wilbraham pupils have scored substantially above the national average on standardized tests, and in above average groupings when compared to selected similar socio-economic communities. For a per pupil cost evaluation, the best index appears to be the published Massachusetts Department of Education Tuition Rates. These rates, in developing per-pupil costs, exclude administration, transportation, community services, new equipment, debt service, and programs with other systems, and include school services provided by other community agencies. The Wilbraham 1965 tuition rates as established by the state for grades 1-8 is $363.00, placing this community fifth among the eight neighboring communities in per pupil expenditures. In the group of eight communities there is a high of $439.75 and a low of $311.75. The 1965 tuition rates are based on the 1963-1964 school year expenditures as reported to the state; state figures are not yet published for the 1964-1965 school year. Since some of the neighbor communities report on grades 1-6, 7-8, and 7-9 basis and others on a 1-8 basis, comparative figures are developed by combining cost figures on a ratio basis.

Personnel employed by the committee, with a report on the experience and professional training of the educational staff are shown in this report. The Wilbraham school system provides an above-average educational opportunity. Special programs of speech therapy, elementary French, remedial reading, and instruction of the handicapped, as well as building libraries, support the basic curriculum. Subject matter specialists in art, music, physical education, science, and handwriting assist the classroom teachers.

Outstanding results have been realized in two specialized areas of the school program. The elementary school libraries operate as branches of the Memorial School installation. Eleven

thousand six hundred eighty-five volumes are catalogued and available for the pupils at each of the schools for assigned research projects, for enrichment, and for leisure reading. Each of the schools is serviced by a trained librarian on a regular schedule. The success of the program is evidenced by the monthly circulation figures in excess of 4,450 books.

The pupil service section provides special instruction for two classes of handicapped pupils, a trained psychologist for testing, two qualified speech and hearing therapists, two guidance counselors and a school adjustment counselor. An on-going program is maintained with the Springfield Child Guidance Clinic, and specialized services are available to assist the school staff.

The program of studies, the instructional materials and services, and the methods of teaching are reviewed on a regularly scheduled basis. Pilot projects are established to test and evaluate new methods when instructional improvement appears promising. It is not educationally sound or financially possible to discard existing practices and embark on a new program until measurable advantages can be predicted and maintained.

One example of improvement of instruction in an academic area is the use of modern mathematics at all grade levels. This new approach to teaching mathematics concentrates on the development of concepts with the pupil understanding the process rather than memorizing the steps. Fractions and decimals appear in the first grade, and the concept of unknowns is challenging pupils at all levels. Modern mathematics was introduced on a trial basis, tested and evaluated, and then presented to the teaching staff through workshops taught at the college level in a full semester of late afternoon and Saturday classes. New textbooks and supplies were provided as the program was installed at all grade levels.

Two reading programs are now being tested and have indicated areas of improvement to be developed. In science, the employment of a coordinator has upgraded the level of instruction and pupil achievement.

Efficiencies realized in the business operation of the school system reduce the per-pupil cost of education without reducing the effectiveness of the instructional program. Over the past two years, greater emphasis has been placed on bulk buying and competitive bidding of instructional and maintenance supplies, food, and fuel. The combined needs of the Wilbraham, Hampden,

and District school systems have resulted in competitive bids, excellent service, and substantial savings for this community. A proposal to include neighboring school systems in the bidding and handling of supply and maintenance items did not indicate sufficient savings to offset handling and record-keeping costs. Transportation costs in 1966 are reduced as a result of utilization of sidewalks, reduced per-mile bids on new three-year contracts, and efficient scheduling of equipment.

In 1966 the buildings and facilities of the Wilbraham Public Schools will require major repair and replacement expenditures. Over the past 10 years, because most of the facilities are relatively new, these costs have been a minor factor in the budget.

The sewage disposal system at Memorial School was rebuilt in 1965, and two boilers must be replated and retubed within the next eight months. The program of scheduled systematic maintenance and painting has been effective and must be continued.

An area of committee concern over the past three years has been the need to develop a plan and course of action that will insure an efficient and effective level of administration management and instructional supervision as the size and complexity of the school system increases. The committee has engaged Dr. Clifford V. Jones and Dr. Michael J. Stolee from the University of Massachusetts to conduct a survey in depth of the immediate and long range administrative and supervisory requirements of the Wilbraham Schools.

A School Committee policy, in effect since 1950, provides for use of the school buildings by citizens of the community. Organized youth groups use the facilities without rental charge for meetings and activities where no admission is collected. The facilities are available without a rental charge for the use of the registrars of voters, for election purposes, for legally called party caucuses, and for the citizens of the town assembled in town meetings. Organizations of the community may engage the school facilities on a rental basis, the fees based on actual out-of-pocket costs for opening the building. For a ten-month school year, the four schools are utilized on an average of 18 hours per week per school in the community use program, approximately 90% of the scheduled hours being for youth activities.

The Community Program budget of $6,480.00 provides the

funds to operate this program, with all rental fees paid to the Wilbraham Treasurer.

It is the policy of the Wilbraham School Committee to make every reasonable effort to provide all the citizens of Wilbraham with complete, accurate, and timely information concerning the school program and operation. The annual report and newspaper releases concerning meetings, decisions, and policy votes are supplemented by school programs, activities and visiting days. The committee urges every citizen to visit the schools and observe the work being done.

The committee appreciates the assistance provided by the elected and appointed officials, and the strong support of the citizens of this community.

ALEXANDER W. MARCO, *Chairman*
HARRY J. DABAGIAN
RICHARD R. HARTMAN
DAVID L. STONE
CLAYTON L. THOMAS, M.D.

Wilbraham Women's Club check is presented for the Minnechaug Scholarship Fund.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Enrollment

The enrollment of pupils by grade as of October 1, 1965 is shown below:

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Spec.	Total
Stony Hill	79	77	86	100	97	64			7	510
Mile Tree	75	74	61	54	57	62				383
The Pines	82	81	75	89	77	61				465
Memorial						56	227	213	6	502
	236	232	222	243	231	243	227	213	13	1860

Census Report and Comparison October 1, 1965

Year Born	Year to Enter School	Census 1965	1964	1963	1962	1961
1959	1965	244	200	181	162	145
1960	1966	235	222	209	181	152
1961	1967	221	197	159	138	89*
1962	1968	189	162	128	79*	
1963	1969	200	167	99*		
1964	1970	139	89*			
1965	1971	84*				

* 9/12 of year recorded

Children in School and Their Distribution October 1, 1965

	5-7 Years	7-16 Years	Total
Boys	283	1077	1360
Girls	240	1008	1248
Total	523	2085	2608
Distribution			
In Public Schools	296	1900	2196
In Vocational Schools		4	4
In Private Schools	8	174	182
Not enrolled in any school	219	7	226
	523	2085	2608
Total as of October 1, 1964	452	1983	2435

Number of Pupils in Elementary Schools by Grades Five Year Period 1960-1965

As of October of each year

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Spec.	Total
1960	186	185	167	151	129	136	148	157	23	1282
1961	186	187	184	175	156	141	149	138	17	1333
1962	190	193	198	196	178	165	146	147	16	1429
1963	186	212	210	220	216	195	190	152	19	1600
1964	235	201	232	219	247	219	204	193	14	1764
1965	236	232	222	243	231	243	227	213	13	1860

CREDITS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH

1966 BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS

Account	1965 Estimate	1965 Actual	1966 Estimate
Chapter 71, Section 7A Transportation	$42,400.00	$40,306.59	$37,000.00
Chapter 70, Section 3	101,800.00	101,881.93	122,400.00
Vocational	5,500.00	6,613.75	5,500.00
State Wards	1,300.00	858.30	800.00
School Adjustment Counselor	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
Special Class	9,000.00	12,042.84	12,000.00
Chapter 70, Section 3B Regional Membership	15,270.00	15,282.29	18,360.11
Total	$178,870.00	$180,585.70	$199,660.11
Operating Budget	$876,867.00	$864,836.36	$957,578.00
Less: State Credits	178,870.00	180,585.70	199,660.11
Less: P. L. 874	48,000.00	35,969.54	11,000.00
Net Cost to Wilbraham	$649,997.00	$648,281.12	$746,917.89

1965 BUDGET

	Salaries	Other	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1965 Appropriation	$662,092.00	$166,695.00	$80.00	$828,867.00
1965 P. L. 874	24,000.00	24,000.00		48,000.00
1965 Budget	$686,092.00	$190,695.00	$80.00	$876,867.00
Community Program	$ 4,500.00	$ 1,980.00		$ 6,480.00

1965 EXPENDITURES

	Salaries	Other	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1965 Appropriation	$655,791.24	$172,995.58		$828,786.82
1965 P. L. 874	28,203,81	7,845.73		36,049.54
Total Expenditures	$683,995.05	$180,841.31		$864,836.36
Community Program	$ 3,727.86	$ 2,722.72		$ 6,450.58

1966 BUDGET

	Salaries	Other	Out-of-State Travel	Total
1966 Appropriation	$755,731.00	$190,767.00	$80.00	$946,578.00
1966 P. L. 874	5,000.00	6,000.00		11,000.00
1966 Budget	$760,731.00	$196,767.00	$80.00	$957,578.00
Community Program	$ 2,980.00	$ 3,500.00		$ 6,480.00

FINANCIAL REPORT — 1965 SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS

Account	1965 Budget	1965 Expenditures		1965 Balance	1966 Budget
Expense of School Committee	$390.00	$463.42	−	$73.42	$370.00
Superintendent's Salary	11,100.00	11,100.00			11,600.00
Business Office Expense	10,955.00	10,491.29	+	463.71	11,495.00
Out-of-State Travel	80.00	.00	+	80.00	80.00
Supervisors' Salaries	23,596.00	23,593.91	+	2.09	19,035.00
Principals' Salaries	46,515.00	46,515.00			49,931.00
Principals' Office	16,344.00	15,364.99	+	979.01	16,534.00
Teachers' Salaries	489,748.00	489,568.69	+	179.31	552,544.00
Supplies, Instructional	18,970.00	13,234.47	+	5,735.53	22,849.00
Textbooks	12,447.00	16,417.75	−	3,970.75	12,926.00
Library	15,071.00	14,068.32	+	1,002.68	20,451.00
Audio-Visual	2,000.00	1,984.34	+	15.66	2,400.00
Guidance Services	11,803.00	11,273.14	+	529.86	16,158.00
Psychological Services	7,816.00	8,104.12	−	288.12	8,606.00
Attendance	8,881.00	7,085.60	+	1,795.40	11,258.00
Health Services	10,830.00	11,724.69	−	894.69	11,095.00
Transportation	60,282.00	60,122.56	+	159.44	56,378.00
Student Activities	280.00	139.80	+	140.20	200.00
Custodians' Salaries	46,289.00	48,081.68	−	1,792.68	47,718.00
Supplies, Maintenance	10,500.00	6,061.09	+	4,438.91	8,000.00
Fuel	15,130.00	12,172.11	+	2,957.89	13,130.00
Utilities	11,940.00	12,699.12	−	759.12	14,940.00
Maintenance of Grounds	850.00	2,086.69	−	1,236.69	1,500.00
Maintenance of Buildings	13,450.00	13,113.50	+	336.50	14,250.00
Maintenance of Equipment	1,600.00	628.34	+	971.66	2,400.00
Fixed Charges	3,200.00	3,191.55	+	8.45	3,200.00
New Equipment	5,250.00	4,981.14	+	268.86	6,405.00
Tuition	21,550.00	20,569.05	+	980.95	22,125.00
Total	$876,867.00	$864,836.36		+$12,030.64	$957,578.00
Less: Available P. L. 874	48,000.00	36,049.54		11,950.46	11,000.00
Amount to Appropriate	$828,867.00	$828,786.82	+	$80.18	$946,578.00
Community Program	$6,480.00	$6,466.58	+	13.42	$6,480.00

An examination of the School Committee Financial Report and the Analysis of Expenditures highlights the complexity of the development of a school budget. In September, when the committee begins developing the itemized budget for the next year, pupil enrollment; final staff requirements; and the exact cost of textbooks, supplies and services are not definitely known. Major repairs and replacements are scheduled and each year, emergencies develop. Each month, throughout the fiscal year, the actual expenditures (by account) are compared with the budget estimate on a year-to-date basis; the funds committed; and the year-end balance (by account) is developed.

Preparation of the school budget is not an exact science. The experience of previous years and a careful estimate of future requirements determine budget amounts. The School Committee does not include a contingency account in its budget to provide for emergencies. The flexibility of management within the budget appropriation that permits plus and minus balances — as the educational and maintenance needs develop — makes it possible to provide an effective educational program and adequately maintain the facilities within the voted budget.

The total budget expenditures are at 98.52% of the budget estimate — reflecting, in part, the successful implementation of sound business practices and economical operations. Within the budget, as shown by the account balances, over and under expenditures occurred during the year as emergencies developed and savings were realized:

1. Business office expense (plus $463.71) and principals' office (plus $979.01) — changes in personnel resulted in these savings.

2. Supplies, instructional (plus $5,735.53) and textbooks (minus $3,970.75) resulted when the new arithmetic series was purchased in hard-back textbooks instead of the workbook form, offsetting balances.

3. Library (plus $1,002.68) — delay in delivery of books ordered resulted in this balance.

4. Guidance services (plus $529.86) — a revised scheduling of testing eliminated the need to purchase one set of tests.

5. Attendance (plus $1,795.40) a second school adjustment counselor, planned for September, 1965, was not employed.

6. Health services (minus $894.69) additional supplies needed at Mile Tree School to outfit the health room.
7. Custodians' salaries (minus $1,792.68) — major repair work and substantial overtime requirements.
8. Supplies, maintenance (plus $4,438.91) standardization of cleaning materials for all schools and competitive bidding has achieved major savings in this account.
9. Fuel (plus $2,957.89) — combined bidding for all schools and a price of $.0785 per gallon for number four oil.
10. Utilities (minus $759.12) a full year's experience with Mile Tree School proved the estimate to be low.
11. Maintenance of grounds (minus $1,236.69) the replacement of the tile field at Memorial School was not anticipated.
12. Maintenance of equipment (plus $971.66) prices for repairs were less than estimated.
13. Tuition (plus $980.95) only after pupils enroll for Trade High School, Springfield Technical Institute, and the Adult Evening Program, can the exact tuition cost be determined.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1965-1966

First Term: Wednesday, September 8 through Thursday, December 23

Second Term: Monday, January 3 through Friday, February 18

Third Term: Monday, February 28 through Thursday, April 7

Fourth Term: Tuesday, April 12 through Friday, June 17

Schools will close on all legal holidays, Friday, October 15, Hampden County Teachers' Convention, and Friday, April 8, Good Friday. Schools will close at noon on November 24 for Thanksgiving.

The Wilbraham School Committee schedules regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month. Special meetings are scheduled as required; all meetings are open to the public.

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Educational and Professional Training
Office:			
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1950	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdett College
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
Maureen O'Brien	Secretary	1965	
Sharon Boyer	I.B.M. Operator	1965	
Stony Hill School:			
Alan J. Rubin	Principal	1955	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Anne Wahlberg	Secretary	1964	
Georgina W. Childs	Grade 1	1963	B.S., M.S., College of St. Rose; Syracuse University
Beverly J. Davis	Grade 1	1964	B.A., University of Buffalo
Joanne E. McCallum	Grade 1	1955	B.S., M.Ed., Skidmore College; Springfield College
Beverly J. Anderson	Grade 2	1964	B.A., Hastings College, Nebraska
Geraldine A. Sullivan	Grade 2	1965	B.A., Our Lady of the Elms College
Nancy Swetland	Grade 2	1964	B.A., University of Mass.
Margaret A. Fiske	Grade 3	1964	B.A., University of Mass.
Sara Hills	Grade 3	1965	B.A., M.A., Rollins College, Florida; University of Mass.
Mildred R. Smith	Grade 3	1963	B.S., Indiana University
Elizabeth C. Benson	Grade 4	1965	B.S., State College at Westfield
Adolph S. Jurczyk	Grade 4	1964	B.S., American International College
Eleanor Miller	Grade 4	1965	B.S., Springfield College
Charlotte Prochnow	Grade 4	1957	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Bridgewater; Springfield College
Adele C. Chester	Grade 5	1965	B.S., Springfield College

Patricia C. Dennis	Grade 5	1965	B.S., State College at Westfield
Mildred Powell	Grade 5	1960	B.S., University of Nebraska
Amelia S. Riley	Grade 5	1957	B.S., State College at Worcester
Doris M. Kline	Grade 6	1960	B.S., M.Ed., R.N., L.L.B., Simmons Col.; Boston University; Wesson Hospital; Western New England College
Roger J. McCarthy	Grade 6	1965	B.S., Keene State Col., New Hampshire
Madeline Harrington	Special Class	1952	B.S., M.S., University of Mass.
Henry Hyde	Custodian	1954	
John Nordin	Custodian	1962	
Joseph Frydryk	Custodian	1964	
Isabella Rollins	Cook	1953	
Yvette Damoulakis	Cook	1961	
Ella Lindsay	Cook	1957	
Lucille Scheiding	Cook	1964	
Memorial School:			
Richard S. Ullery, Jr.	Principal	1958	B.A., M.Ed., American International Col.
Joseph K. Zych, Jr.	Assistant Principal	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; State College at Westfield
Gordon S. Bates	Guidance	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College
Florence LeVan	Secretary	1956	
Ruth Handel	Secretary	1965	
Kathleen Engel	Grade 6	1964	B.A., Our Lady of the Elms College
Henry Marcoux, Jr.	Grade 6	1963	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
Muriel L. Boyce	Junior High	1960	B.A., M.Ed., State Col. at Framingham; Boston University
A. Louise Bradley	Junior High	1952	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Richard O. Burrell	Junior High	1965	B.S., Springfield College
Marion Didrikson	Junior High	1959	B.B.A., American International College
Ruth W. Herter	Junior High	1959	B.A.E., Rhode Island School of Design
John Hines, Jr.	Junior High	1964	B.S., Michigan State University

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Educational and Professional Training
Kenneth Hultstrom	Junior High	1961	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Ruth S. Johnson	Junior High	1961	B.A., Oberlin College
William Kozlowski	Junior High	1957	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
Willard D. Leshure, Jr.	Junior High	1964	B.A., M.Ed., Dartmouth; Springfield Col.
Frank Marshall	Junior High	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; State College at Westfield
Cynthia I. Nordin	Junior High	1964	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Gale Owens	Junior High	1964	B.S., Springfield College
Paul E. Pesce	Junior High	1960	B.S., State College at Salem
James Rafferty	Junior High	1957	B.B.A., University of Mass.
Cleone Smith	Junior High	1959	B.A., Middlebury College
Elizabeth Stephens	Junior High	1965	B.S., Iowa State University, Iowa
Jeanne Strycharz	Junior High	1965	B.S., State College at Westfield
Irene Walinski	Junior High	1957	B.A., M.A., Our Lady of the Elms College; Springfield College
Gardwood Whitney	Junior High	1963	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
John Polaczak	Head Custodian	1949	
John Wnuk	Custodian	1962	
Walter Kapecki	Custodian	1964	
Charlotte Babineau	Cook	1960	
Emma Chamberlin	Cook	1956	
Eva Cloutier	Cook	1958	
Marjorie Goewey	Cook	1960	
Mile Tree School:			
Richard J. Curry	Principal	1954	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Rosemary Laurino	Secretary	1964	
Mildred Lockwood	Grade 1	1964	B.S., State College at Westfield
Catherine Madeira	Grade 1	1965	B.S., Radcliffe College, Cambridge
Stella Mondoux	Grade 1	1958	B.S., State College at Westfield

Judith Cummings	Grade 2	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Irene Niemiec	Grade 2	1964	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Nancy A. Pollard	Grade 2	1965	B.S., State College at Westfield
Linda Flewelling	Grade 3	1964	B.S., University of Maine
Madeleine Martin	Grade 3	1962	B.S., State College at Westfield
Alice Foley	Grade 4	1955	State College at Westfield
Charlotte Rome	Grade 4	1964	B.S., Springfield College
Gina Frangie	Grade 5	1954	B.A., M.Ed., American International Col.; Springfield College
Terry Rhicard	Grade 5	1964	B.S., American International College
Eleanor F. Anbinder	Grade 6	1962	B.S., Boston University
Thomas Lennon	Grade 6	1958	B.S., American International College
Thomas W. Farnham	Custodian	1958	
G. Frederic Boyce	Custodian	1963	
Helen Los	Cook	1962	
Dorothy Powell	Cook	1964	
Florence Shults	Cook	1965	
The Pines School			
Helen Strauss	Principal	1930	B.S., M.S., Columbia; Springfield College
Alma Fleming	Secretary	1964	
Mary Ellen Gartner	Grade 1	1964	B.A., American International College
Ruth S. Geigel	Grade 1	1961	B.S., Rutgers University
Marion Maloney	Grade 1	1964	B.S., State College at Westfield
Elizabeth J. Cuthbert	Grade 2	1963	B.S., Elmira College, N.Y.
Gail Paige	Grade 2	1965	B.S., Springfield College
Maura Scannapieco	Grade 2	1965	B.A., Newton College of the Sacred Heart, Newton, Mass.
Dorothea Brauer Pihl	Grade 3	1964	B.S., Valparaiso University, Ind.
Emma Habin	Grade 3	1960	B.S., State College at Westfield
Sharon A. Kelly	Grade 3	1965	B.S., Springfield College
Marjorie Befford	Grade 4	1958	State College at Fitchburg

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE WILBRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Educational and Professional Training
Charles Lockwood	Grade 4	1962	B.S., M.Ed., State College at Westfield
Evelyn Salisbury	Grade 4	1961	B.A., University of New Hampshire
Milton R. Barnes, Jr.	Grade 5	1965	B.S., State College at Bridgewater
Mary Ann Herndon	Grade 5	1963	B.S., American International College
Ruth C. Hood	Grade 5	1959	B.S., Teachers College, Danbury, Conn.
Robert D. Lash	Grade 6	1964	B.S., Springfield College
Margaret Snow	Grade 6	1964	B.A., University of Maine
Michael Pyzocha	Custodian	1954	
Mitchell Misiaszek	Custodian	1961	
Joseph Frydryk	Custodian	1964	
Evelyn Dabrowski	Cook	1962	
Julia Dougal	Cook	1952	
Mary Kittredge	Cook	1964	
Jean Lajzer	Cook	1960	
Supervisors and Special Subject Teachers:			
Ruth G. Backus	Elementary Supervisor	1953	State College at Framingham
Marguerite G. Brady	Librarian	1942	Perry Normal
Elisabeth R. Barnes	Library and French	1962	B.A., University of Mass.
Bruce Kurtz	Physical Education	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Elizabeth Richards	Physical Education	1962	B.A., Oberlin College
Kenneth Rainey	Physical Education	1965	B.S., Springfield College
Robert P. Garvey	Science Coordinator	1955	B.A., M.A., St. Anselm's; American International College
A. May Jenkins	Cafeteria Manager	1950	
Esther Johnson	Music	1949	State College at Westfield
Margaret M. Kiely	Adjustment Counsellor	1959	B.A., M.A., American International Col.
Merilis Scott	School Psychologist	1960	B.S., M.S., State College at Fitchburg; Springfield College

Claire Formwalt	Art	1963	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Rosemary Birtwell	Remedial Teacher	1961	B.A., State College at Westfield
James E. Tremble	Reading Teacher	1960	B.S., Springfield College

Health:

Ruth Fay	Nurse	1962	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Arthur H. Goodwin	Doctor	1947	M.D., Tufts
Janet Horacek	Nurse	1954	R.N., Springfield Hospital

Transportation:

George W. Motyka		1932
Florence Butler		1962
Paul Douillard		1962
Myrtie Trant		1965

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Helen Boyd, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1965
Janet Rose Cunningham, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1965
Barbara F. Davis, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1965
Therese Dowd, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1965
Millicent G. Green, teacher, retired, June 30, 1965
Doris Kendrick, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1965
Alice Kozlowski, teacher, maternity leave, effective September 1, 1965 to June 30, 1966
Marion McKinstry, teacher, resigned, August 30, 1965
Madelyn Howe, Secretary, resigned, September 10, 1965
Sharon Boyer, Secretary, employed by Regional School District
Joanne E. McCallum, teacher, resigned, December 24, 1965
Julia Rosenbeck, teacher, retired, January 31, 1965
Nancy Rico, teacher, resigned, January 30, 1965
Adeline Thurlow, cook, resigned, January 1, 1965

"An ounce of prevention" helps conserve our woods from devastation by fire. These young men take their work seriously.

Report of the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee

1965 has been a year of challenge, growth, and change. The new Minnechaug 26 teaching station addition was partially in use in early March and became fully available before classes opened in September, successfully meeting the time schedule established by the School Committee in the 1961 Town Report when this project was first proposed to the citizens. Two new science rooms, a large group instruction area, the 42 pupil language laboratory, subject matter conference-work rooms, the reading laboratory, a specialized business education instruction area, and folding wall classrooms provide the space and flexibility to meet the continuing growth of pupil enrollment and the special space requirements of a changing educational program. The committee is pleased with the quality of workmanship and adherence to the time schedule by the Ciocca Construction Company and with the accuracy of plans and the excellent supervision provided by the firm of Alderman and MacNeish.

As it has in previous reports, the committee calls attention to the statistical information at the end of the report showing enrollment, expenditures, budget, and persons employed in the District. The large increase in enrollment, 855 as of October 1, 1965 as compared with 760 on the same date a year earlier, is the result of the normal increase in District students and the enrollment of 35 tuition pupils from West Brookfield. The decision to accept tuition pupils with the opening of this addition parallels the decision made in 1959 when pupils from Granby were enrolled at Minnechaug. The addition was planned to accommodate the pupils in the District through 1970, so the enrollment of West Brookfield pupils at a $650.00 tuition rate covers the additional operating costs incurred by their attendance, and also contributes towards reducing the fixed charges of the plant. Tuition receipts are used to reduce the annual operating assessment to the Towns of Hampden and Wilbraham.

Of major concern to the committee and to the citizens of the District is the academic program and the results achieved by our students.

Members of the 1965 graduating class are now engaged as follows:

	No.	*Per Cent*
Four year colleges	88	49.44
Two year colleges	18	10.11
Three year nursing programs	6	3.37
Technical and Vocational Schools	13	7.30
Employed	28	15.73
Military Services	11	6.18
Married (Girls)	2	1.12
Status Unknown	9	5.06
Post Graduates	3	1.69
Total	178	100.00

Combining the first five graduating Minnechaug classes, we develop the following totals:

	No.	*Per Cent*
Four year colleges	298	46.71
Two year colleges	70	10.97
Three year nursing programs	19	2.98
Two year nursing programs	5	.78
Technical and Vocational Schools	46	7.21
Employed	106	16.61
Military Service	44	6.90
Married (Girls)	12	1.88
Status Unknown	28	4.39
Sisterhood	2	.32
Post Graduates	8	1.25
Total	638	100.00

Expressed in another form, these five year statistics show 46.7% of the graduates of this high school have been accepted in four-year degree granting colleges and universities, 69% are continuing their education beyond high school, 17% are gainfully employed upon graduation, and 7% entering the military service. It is interesting to note in reviewing the five year record that, despite the increased competition for college acceptance, Minnechaug's current record is commendable.

Of equal importance in evaluating a school's effectiveness in meeting the educational needs of all the pupils is a review of the drop-out or failure-to-graduate records. For the 1963-1964 school year, 19 pupils or 2.5% of the pupils enrolled left Minnechaug before graduation. In the 1964-1965 school year, 19 students or 2.1% of the pupils enrolled dropped out. These figures compare with a state average of 3.62 to 4.60 for the latest three years when statistics were published. All of the above listed statistics must be considered as less than absolute in that a number of pupils who entered military service upon graduation from Minne-

chaug are now enrolled in colleges and universities, and several of the recorded drop-outs have returned to school.

A sound method of determining the efficiency of a school operation is to examine the per-pupil cost figures, and to compare them with other schools offering comparable programs. The 1965 rate for Minnechaug High School, as established by the Department of Education, is $625.00 based on actual per-pupil expenditures for the 1963-1964 school year. Based on 1964-1965 school year expenditures, Minnechaug's 1966 state established rate will be $638.47 per pupil.

In addition to accepting West Brookfield tuition pupils as a means of efficiently utilizing the Minnechaug addition facilities, the District Committee has made classrooms available on a rental basis for the Hampden and the Wilbraham School Committees to assist in relieving their over-crowded conditions. Because the citizens of the two towns own and financially support Minnechaug High School, and because all rentals and income are used solely to reduce the annual financial assessment to the two towns on a per-pupil-enrolled basis, a rental of $203.40 per room per year was established. This fee will provide for the out-of-pocket cost to the District for opening a classroom to be used and staffed by the local school systems.

Minnechaug's 1965 athletic teams were a credit to the school and to the community. The steady improvement in performance has been gratifying to observe. The school committee is firm in its belief that inter-scholastic athletic programs are an important part of the total school effort, and as such provide excellent learning situations.

In music, art, and in competitive academic events, Minnechaug students have continued to establish standards of quality that are a challenge to surpass.

The year has seen the loss of two men who have made outstanding contributions to the work of the District Committee.

John R. Lyman was first elected to the District Committee in 1959 and served as its chairman from April 1960 until the time of his death in 1965. His sincere interest in the education of the pupils and his calm leadership of the committee were major factors in the steady improvement and organized growth of the District.

Mr. Ernest W. Furnans was elected to the first District School Committee in 1957 and served as a member and as legal advisor

to the committee through the preparation of the legal agreement and until he retired in 1960. His careful approach to each new question, his insistence on a legal review of each decision, and his continued efforts to insure a lasting educational effort created a tradition of service and thoroughness. His death in 1965 was a loss to the School District and to the community.

The committee wishes to publicly record its appreciation to the staff for the dedicated enthusiasm with which it has worked with the pupils of our community, to the elected and appointed officials of Hampden and Wilbraham for continued and complete cooperation, and to the citizens of the School District for their support in providing an above average educational opportunity for the children of this community.

ANDREW J. MULCAHY, JR., *Chairman*
MRS. CHARLES I. BOWMAN
HARRY J. DABAGIAN
C. LEON ERB
DUDLEY N. HARTT, JR.
EDWIN N. LOMBARD
CHESTER L. THORNDIKE, JR.

Police Department's 1965 Scholarship Award went to William Dougal.

HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1965

Planning and Construction Budget	
Balance, January 1, 1965	$290,096.94
1965 Receipts	0.00
Funds Available	$290,096.94
1965 Expenditures	266,053.36
Balance, December 31, 1965	$24,043.58
Capital Cost Budget	
1965 Assessment to Towns	$140,023.89
1965 State Construction Grants	110,487.83
Total Available	$250,511.72
1965 Expenditures	239,440.00
Balance, December 31, 1965 — To Surplus Revenue	$10,125.00
To Income of 1965	$946.72
Operating Budget	
1965 Assessment to Towns	$529,302.35
1965 Offsetting Credits	74,003.65
Total Available	$603,306.00
1965 Expenditures	587,447.77
Balance, December 31, 1965 — To Surplus Revenue	$15,858.23
Income of 1965	
Balance, January 1, 1965	$0.00
1965 Receipts	73,304.00
Balance, December 31, 1965 — To Surplus Revenue	$73,304.00
Surplus Revenue Account	
Balance, January 1, 1965	$14,960.97
1965 Receipts	99,287.23
Funds Available	$114,248.20
To 1966 Operating Budget Credits	94,964.52
To 1966 Capital Budget Credits	10,125.00
Balance, January 1, 1966	$9,158.68
Public Law 874	
Balance, January 1, 1965	$10,522.61
1965 Receipts	7,448.00
Funds Available	$17,970.61
1965 Expenditures	
To 1966 Operating Budget Credits	15,000.00
Balance, December 31, 1965	$2,970.61

Public Law 85-864	
Balance, January 1, 1965	$732.54
1965 Receipts	21,545.72
Funds Available	$22,278.26
1965 Expenditures	0.00
To 1966 Operating Budget Credits	20,000.00
Balance, December 31, 1965	$2,278.26
Hot Lunch Account	
Balance, January 1, 1965	$3,210.23
1965 Receipts	41,116.73
Funds Available	$44,326.96
1965 Expenditures	40,549.87
Balance, December 31, 1965	$3,777.09
Athletic Account	
Balance, January 1, 1965	$4,404.26
1965 Receipts	4,014.44
Funds Available	$8,418.70
1965 Expenditures	4,005.73
Balance, December 31, 1965	$4,412.97
Committed to 1966 Athletic Budget	$3,500.00

ASSESSMENT FOR 1966 REVENUE STATEMENT

Capital Costs	
1956 and 1957 Loans, Retirement and Service	$145,895.00
1957 Loan, Construction Grant	65,541.11
Balance to assess towns	$80,353.89
Hampden 22.5% — $18,079.63; Wilbraham 77.5% — $62,274.26	
1964 Loan, Retirement and Service	$88,150.00
1964 Loan, Construction Grant	44,946.72
Sub total	$43,203.28
1965 capital assessment balance	10,125.00
Balance to assess towns	$33,078.28
Hampden 20.03% — $6,625.58; Wilbraham 79.97% — $26,452.70	
Total capital assessments:	
Hampden $24,705.21; Wilbraham $88,726.96	
Operating Budget	
Total budget less capital costs	$699,467.00
1966 credits, 1965 receipts	129,964.52
Balance to assess towns	$569,502.48

	Hampden	Wilbraham	Total
Pupils	160	656	816
Percentage	19.61	80.39	100
Operating Assessment	$111,679.44	$457,823.04	$569,502.48

TOTAL ASSESSMENTS TO HAMPDEN AND WILBRAHAM

	Capital	Operating	Total	¼ Payment
Hampden	$24,705.21	$111,679.44	$136,384.65	$34,096.16
Wilbraham	88,726,96	457,823.04	546,550.00	$136,637.50
Total	$113,432.17	$569,502.48	$682,934.65	

Assessments payable in four equal installments not later than the first day of April, June, September, and December.

ASSESSMENT COMPARISON 1965-1966

	Hampden		Wilbraham	
	1965	1966	1965	1966
Capital	$30,112.91	$24,705.21	$109,910.98	$88,726.96
Operating	96,068.37	111,679.44	433,233.98	457,823.04
Total	$126,181.28	$136,384.65	$543,144.96	$546,550.00

	Hampden	Wilbraham
Dollar Increase	$10,203.37	$3,405.04
% Increase	8.09%	.63%
Pupil Increase	137 to 160 = 23	618 to 656 = 38
% Increase	16.7%	6.14%

PUPIL ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

October 1, 1965

Grade	Hampden	Monson	West Brookfield	Wilbraham	Total
9	52	—	33	187	272
10	34	2	1	177	214
11	42	2	—	146	190
12	31	—	—	144	175
PG	1	—	1	2	4
	160	4	35	656	855

Stone-cutting as a hobby seems to be of great interest to pretty girls . . .

FINANCIAL REPORT — 1965 REGIONAL DISTRICT BUDGET ANALYSIS MATERIALS

Account	1965 Budget	1965 Expenditures		1965 Balance	1966 Budget
Expense of School Committee	$365.00	$143.95	+	$221.05	$245.00
Superintendents' Salaries	8,500.00	8,500.00		—	9,100.00
Business Office	15,229.00	15,009.91	+	219.09	16,363.00
Principals' Salaries	20,314.00	20,490.11	−	176.11	21,951.00
Principals' Office	7,934.00	8,121.04	−	187.04	8,053.00
Teachers' Salaries	304,821.00	300,315.18	+	4,505.82	356,663.00
Supplies, Instructional	16,826.00	16,769.04	+	56.96	19,012.00
Textbooks	10,280.00	9,038.62	+	1,241.38	12,432.00
Library	12,430.00	11,158.43	+	1,271.57	13,151.00
Audio-Visual	1,845.00	1,634.43	+	210.57	2,090.00
Guidance	27,499.00	26,219.30	+	1,279.70	32,821.00
Speech Services	11,291.00	10,068.20	+	1,222.80	12,078.00
Attendance Officers	100.00	100.00		—	100.00
Health	5,320.00	5,564.35	−	244.35	5,567.00
Transportation	43,443.00	43,426.06	+	16.94	58,904.00
Food Services	100.00	—	+	100.00	100.00
Varsity Athletics	10,725.00	11,255.03	−	530.03	11,830.00
Student Body Activities	800.00	661.06	+	138.94	800.00
Custodians' Salaries	37,383.00	31,965.17	+	5,417.83	40,383.00
Custodial Supplies	2,500.00	2,562.14	−	62.14	2,700.00
Heating of Building	15,000.00	12,465.10	+	2,534.90	13,300.00
Utility Services	16,950.00	17,346.76	−	396.76	17,000.00
Maintenance of Grounds	1,600.00	1,521.36	+	78.64	1,600.00
Maintenance of Buildings	5,525.00	6,850.24	−	1,325.24	5,550.00
Maintenance of Equipment	4,837.00	4,556.97	+	280.03	6,095.00
Retirement	4,300.00	4,096.00	+	204.00	4,300.00
Insurance	4,589.00	7,381.54	−	2,792.54	11,821.00
Current Loan	3,000.00	1,223.11	+	1,776.89	3,000.00
Community Services	7,000.00	6,694.64	+	305.36	7,000.00
New Equipment	2,800.00	2,310.03	+	489.97	5,458.00
Debt Retirement and Service	249,565.00	239,440.00	+	10,125.00	234,045.00
Total	$852,871.00	$826,887.77		+$25,983.23	$933,512.00

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Educational and Professional Training
District Office:			
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent	1956	B.A., M.Ed., Lafayette; State College at Fitchburg
Kenneth E. Johnson	Assistant Superintendent	1957	B.A., M.A., C.A.G.S., American International College; Univ. of Conn.
Eva M. Ellis	Executive Secretary	1959	Burdette College
Anna B. Tupper	Secretary	1958	
Maureen O'Brien	Secretary	1965	
Sharon Boyer	I.B.M. Operator	1965	
High School Office:			
Lincoln A. Dexter	Principal	1961	B.S., M.Ed., C.A.G.S., Rhode Island State; State Col. at Worcester; Springfield Col.
Richard I. Trenholm	Assistant Principal	1960	B.A., M.A., Bates Col.; Boston University
Charles B. Thompson	Guidance Director	1958	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; University of New Hampshire
Peter Gartner	Guidance Counsellor	1959	B.A., Bates College
Marjorie Bean	Secretary	1960	
Cammella Kerr	Secretary	1963	
Joan Makuch	Secretary	1964	
Teachers:			
Amelia B. Allison	Music	1965	B.A., Barnard College, N.Y.
Marilyn Ats	Languages	1961	B.A., University of Oklahoma
Jerry A. Badger	Biology	1963	B.A., M.Ed., Bates College; Springfield College
Donald Bamford	Mathematics	1959	B.S., M.Ed., M.S.E., University of Mass.; University of Penn.
David W. Barry	Social Studies	1964	B.A., M.A., St. Michael's; St. John's University, N.Y.
Rosemary Bauer	English	1964	B.S., Springfield College
Charles Beeler	Music	1964	B.Mus., Hartt College, Hartford
Lawrence Bergmann	Mathematics	1964	B.S., University of Mass.

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Educational and Professional Training
Carol Bishop	Biology	1965	B.A., Bates College, Maine
Wilfred Blanchard	Science	1965	B.A., American International College
Richard A. Brown	Science	1959	B.A., M.S., Bowdoin; Colby College
Patricia Cascio	Physical Education	1965	B.S., Springfield College
Judith Cross	Home Economics	1961	B.A., Keene Teachers College
Marcia Denison	Physical Education	1964	B.A., M.S., Denison University; Columbia University
Paul A. Deslauriers	Remedial	1964	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College; State College at Westfield
James DeWolf	Industrial Arts	1959	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Alf S. Ehnstrom, Jr.	Physical Education	1962	B.S., Springfield College
Barbara I. Evans	Social Studies	1965	B.A., Susquehanna University, Pa.
Margaret E. Fey	Languages	1963	B.A., Lake Erie College
Katherine Goulding	Home Economics	1961	B.S., State College at Framingham
Ronald E. Hofmann	English	1964	B.A., M.Ed., University of Mass.; State College at Westfield
Gordon V. Jones	Art	1965	B.A., Drew University
Susan E. Jones	Languages	1965	B.A., Marietta College, Ohio
Marion Kacoyannakis	Social Studies — Guidance	1962	B.A., American International College
Dwight D. Killam	Music	1959	B.Mus., M.Mus., Syracuse; Boston Univ.
Constance Kimberly	English	1961	B.A., American International College
William Michael Kober	Physical Education	1960	B.S., Springfield College
Edgar H. Law	Mathematics	1960	B.A., M.A., Trinity College, Hartford
Vivian Little	English	1959	B.A., M.A., Mount Holyoke; Hartford Seminary Foundation
Henry Manegre	Industrial Arts	1963	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Dorothy Marot	Librarian	1963	B.A., Syracuse University
Robert A. McCarthy	Languages	1964	B.A., M.A., University of Mass.; Harvard
Harold K. Miller	Mathematics	1959	B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College
David Munsey	Industrial Arts and Mathematics	1964	B.S., State College at Fitchburg
Michael A. Murphy	Mathematics	1964	B.S., B.A., State College at Westfield; Concordia, Missouri

Jean B. O'Neil	English	1963	B.A., American International College
Doris Pelletier	Business Education	1965	B.A., American International College
Barbara Prackneck	English	1963	B.A., M.Ed., Regis College
Suzanne Rheaume	Science	1965	B.S., University of Mass.
George H. Robinson, Jr.	Mathematics	1959	B.S., M.Ed., University of Mass.; Springfield College
Valeta Robinson	Languages	1963	B.A., Middlebury College
Carolyn Sakakeeny	English	1965	B.A., University of Mass.
Donald Short	Music	1962	B.Mus., M.Mus., Boston University
Richard P. Spencer	English	1959	B.A., M.Ed., University of Mass.; Springfield College
Karl Sternberg	Science	1960	B.A., American International College
Jean M. Stuart	Business Education	1961	B.A., American International College
Christine Trenholm	Business Education	1959	Ac.S., B.S., M.Ed., Bay Path; American International College; Trinity, Hartford
Joseph B. Vanwest	Art	1959	B.S., Tufts; Dip., Museum School of Fine Arts
Louis Verani	Business Education	1963	B.S., American International College
Helen A. Walinski	Mathematics — Dean of Women	1959	B.A., M.Ed., Our Lady of the Elms Col.; Springfield College
Constance Weatherby	Social Studies	1965	B.A., University of New Hampshire
Speech Therapists:			
Marilyn Tilton	Speech	1965	A.B., M.A., Earlham Col.; Bowling Green; State University, Ohio
Linda Lajoie	Speech	1965	B.A., M.A., University of Mass.
Health:			
Arthur H. Goodwin	Doctor	1959	M.D., Tufts
Madeline Newsome	Nurse	1959	R.N., Springfield Hospital
Hot Lunch:			
May Jenkins	Manager	1959	
Leona Isham	Cook	1959	
Arlene Ross	Cook	1959	

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Continued)

Name	Position	Year Appointed	Educational and Professional Training
Nancy Clark	Cook	1959	
Marie Tupper	Cook	1962	
Doris Willis	Cook	1963	
Edith Wickett	Cook	1964	
Dorlene Howard	Cook	1964	
Custodians:			
Everett Pickens	Head Custodian	1959	
Walter Polanczak	Custodian	1959	
Stanley Strycharz	Custodian	1959	
Harold Rogers	Custodian	1959	
Leon Superneau	Custodian	1959	
George Hosie	Custodian	1965	
Omer Talbot	Custodian	1965	
Transportation:			
George W. Motyka	Wilbraham	1959	
Charles Walker	Hampden	1962	

Changes in school personnel not shown in the preceding chart are:

Walter Battershall, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1965
William Vincent Burke, teacher, leave of absence
Dwight D. Killam, teacher, Sabbatical leave
Maureen Miller, teacher, resigned, January 31, 1965
Sharon Horton, teacher, resigned, April 24, 1965
Julie Speakman, teacher, resigned, June 30, 1965
Patricia Dygon, I.B.M. operator, resigned, May 7, 1965
Madelyn Howe, secretary, resigned, September 10, 1965

One of Wilbraham's favorite "products" photographed as they prepare for Carousel.

Report of the Wilbraham Site Committee

At the Wilbraham Annual Town Meeting held on March 13th, 1965, it was voted favorably by a majority that the Town authorize the Selectmen to appoint a School Building Site Committee to find sites for future junior high schools and elementary schools.

On May 24, 1965, this committee met with the Selectmen, and was instructed by them to find, and recommend for purchase, six or more building sites to meet Town's maximum future school needs.

Setting to work at once, the committee held weekly meetings. The Wilbraham Master Plan was studied carefully for school population trends and other information, and experienced members of comparable committees in other communities were consulted for guidelines to follow.

It was determined by the committee that, among the many factors to be scrutinized in considering the suitability of any site, the following were important:

1. Soil conditions and drainage
2. School population trends
3. Accessibility (of roads, etc.)
4. Water availability
5. Present and future traffic flows

With the above factors in mind, many sites have been considered, and others are under consideration at the present time.

On August 30, 1965, the committee unanimously agreed on its first recommendation and an option was obtained to purchase the property of Elizabeth C. P. Bacon on Stony Hill Road. The money for the purchase of approximately 50 acres was appropriated by the townspeople at the Special Town Meeting held on September 20, 1965.

The committee wishes to take this opportunity to express its appreciation for the courteous and continuing help of the members of the United States Department of Agriculture Office of Soil Conservation, located in Northampton, Massachusetts, in furnishing maps and other information for our use. Our thanks go, also, to the members of the Board of Assessors of the Town, and its staff for their courtesy and help.

Finally, it is the unanimous opinion of this committee that the maximum numbers of sites for school buildings should be obtained with as little delay as possible, in view of the diminishing availability and increasing costs of land in the Town of Wilbraham.

Edwin Satter, III, *Chairman*
Robert Cross
Harold Porter
J. C. McCleery
Doris C. Bowman

Report of the Junior High School Building Committee

As recommended by the 1964 School Survey Committee, the Board of Selectmen appointed the Junior High School Building Committee to lay the groundwork for the building of a local junior high school. At the Special Town Meeting on September 20, this Committee was authorized to employ an architect and contract for studies, test borings and topography maps for the total sum of $25,500.00.

The firm of Alderman and MacNeish has been selected as architects and preliminary drawings will be ready for presentation to the Town in April of this year. State funds will again be requested for building and the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission has approved the need for a new junior high school and also the education specifications as prepared by the Wilbraham School Committee. The proposed building schedule provides for opening the new school in September, 1968.

Karl Mahaffey, *Chairman*
Victor Weidman, *Vice-Chairman*
Mrs. Gordon Long, *Secretary*
Earl Decorie
Albert Howes
John Kenny
Frank Wolcott

Civil Defense

The relocation of the center of Wilbraham Civil Defense activities has been completed. The new location at the Perry Barn has made a completely self-sufficient alternate Town Government Center. The Town Government could shift to this center if the need arises.

The protection factor of each building is about equal and in our long-range planning we are recommending that both the seat of the Town Government and the Civil Defense Center be housed in areas with adequate protection from fire, natural disaster and nuclear attack. To this end it has been suggested that any new construction of public buildings incorporate this needed protection for the residents of Wilbraham.

Your Director feels that the new Junior High School could and should have this facility.

A new 10 KW portable electric generator unit, gasoline powered, has been put into operation this year as well as a portable 100 G.P.M. water pump, gasoline powered. Both of these new items have been added to our stockpile of emergency equipment which is being kept in usable condition and updated and improved as funds are available.

Since this facility has been established it has been made available to civic groups of our community and several have taken advantage of its convenient and adequate facilities. More than one group has used it several times. It is available to all who wish to have their activities there.

Our aim for this next year is for the recruiting and training of interested personnel to continue and improve the Civil Defense Program in our Town, for the protection of its people and their property under abnormal conditions or disaster.

The Civil Defense Program can only be effective if we plan ahead and work together in these preparations.

We have included in our budget only those items which are necessary to maintain our first class standing in preparation for any emergency.

WALTER R. HOWE, JR., *Director*

Board of Health Report

During 1965, 18 licensed eating and drinking establishments were inspected and 6 markets were inspected at least once every two months.

Three recreational camps, one motel and seven overnight cabins were licensed and inspected.

Three public health nuisance complaints were investigated. All nuisances were corrected with the exception of one which is being processed at the present time.

Twenty-six store milk licenses, thirteen oleomargarine, eleven milk dealer licenses, three recreational camp licenses were issued during 1965.

Eleven samples of water were obtained and analyzed during the year, six were private water supplies and four samples were taken from swimming areas.

The town dump was inspected every month. The modified sanitary, landfill operation has been instrumental in eliminating odors and fires. Although traffic has been congested at times, the dump is being maintained in a satisfactory manner.

One extensive drainage problem was investigated and recommendations were made to the Board of Health.

Four sewage drainage problems were investigated and recommendations made for the correction of the problems.

As needed, conferences with the Board of Health were held. It is felt that the Board of Health of Wilbraham is doing an excellent job.

My sincere thanks to the people of Wilbraham and to the Board of Health for the excellent cooperation extended to me in 1965.

JOHN A. BRICKETT, R.S., *Agent-Sanitarian*

Dog Officer's Report

A total of 880 dogs were licensed in 1965. This is an increase of 51 over 1964.

Fifty-two dog bites were reported. The dogs were quarantined for 10 days as a rabies precaution.

Forty-nine stray dogs were picked up and 32 were returned to the owners. Seventeen were disposed of.

Sixteen dogs were reported killed by automobiles.

Fifty-eight complaints were received and investigated.

ROBERT A. CONVERSE

Report of the Library Trustees

Important changes in personnel plus increased circulation and expanded services in an inadequate, overcrowded and even dangerous building, keynote the 1965 operations.

Mrs. Gerald Dingman, our Head Librarian, left to become Assistant Librarian of Bates College. Her duties have been temporarily assumed by Mrs. Edwin Rudge as Acting Librarian, assisted by Mrs. John A. Saunders. Mrs. Rudge has been our Children's Librarian, and for several years Mrs. Saunders was Librarian at Minnechaug High School.

The Trustees wish to acknowledge the great debt the Library and the Town of Wilbraham owe to Mrs. Dingman. Being the Town's first professionally trained librarian, it was under her aegis that the Library was given a new direction and has become an up-to-date, and efficient, well-ordered establishment.

A library is maintained to serve the informational, educational, and recreational reading needs of the public, and these the Wilbraham Library continued to do adequately in 1965, but under ever increasing hardship. The circulation took another jump, and the number of registrants took an even greater jump, so space and efficiency of operation became much more critical in this outgrown and decaying building.

Additional services instituted during the year include the starting of a paperback collection, inspired largely by the high school reading list, the subscription to five newspapers, the purchasing of more magazines, now making the total 53, and the installation of two Autopages for the return of borrowed books, one in Wilbraham center, and one in front of the Library. The Autopages receive anywhere from two to over seventy-five books daily, figures which give some indication of their value as a public service.

The use of the Western Regional Library System, a service whereby a book may be obtained from other public and college libraries, continues to grow. This past year over 700 books were borrowed by this method, an increase of about 50%.

On January 3 of this year, 1966, Mr. and Mrs. J. Loring Brooks gave to the Friends of the Library Foundation about six acres of land located in the center of Wilbraham, which will be offered to the Town as a gift at the Town Meeting in March. While this is not properly the subject of a 1965 Library Report, the conditions which prompted the gift have been increasingly

Library Annex on Main Street may not qualify as automation, but does speed up book returns.

apparent in 1965 as well as for several prior years. That we have long outgrown our present quarters can not be denied. In the past five years our book purchases and circulation have doubled; in the past ten years these have quadrupled. That the building is inadequate and in bad shape is evident on inspection. The ceiling leaks in several places and during the year, for the second time in five years, has fallen down, this time over the circulation desk, carrying a lighting fixture along with it and narrowly missing staff workers.

The predicted burgeoning of our population with the resultant pressure on the Library will make an untenable situation completely intolerable. The Trustees hope, therefore, that the Town will quickly respond to the gift of land by appropriating funds for a much needed, long overdue library building.

Clifford W. Burgess, *Chairman*
Muriel R. Boyce
Leslie D. Polk

LIBRARY STATISTICS

Holdings		
Volumes in Library, January 1, 1965		17,093
Volumes purchased	1,666	
Volumes donated (gifts)	68	
Volumes acquired in 1965	1,734	
Less volumes discarded, lost	803	931
Volumes in Library, January 1, 1966		18,024
Registration		
Adult	2,761	
Juvenile	1,959	
Total registration (gain of 695 over 1964 figure)		4,720
Circulation		
Adult (including periodicals)	30,539	
Juvenile (including periodicals)	37,116	
Total circulation (gain of 4,936 over 1964 figure)		*67,655
*1,447 books circulated by WRLS Bookmobile included in this figure		
Special Services		
Books borrowed on interlibrary WRLS loans		755
Books lent on interlibrary loan		4
Books circulated by WRLS Bookmobile		1,447
Reserve book notices mailed to borrowers		901
Overdue notices mailed to borrowers		2,881
Fines collected in 1965		$999.08

Sealer of Weights and Measures Report

The year's sealing included 70 scales, 79 weights, 38 gasoline pumps, 15 grease meters, 9 oil truck meters and 2 kerosene pumps. One untested oil truck meter was tagged to render its use illegal. Sealing fees collected totalled $177.90.

A 1965 act of the legislature increased the fees for sealing most devices from two to five times the old charges. Under the new schedule, the above items would yield over $400 in fees.

CHARLES L. MERRICK

Slaughtering Inspector's Report

One beef cow was slaughtered. The animal was inspected and passed. Other cows were reported to have been slaughtered elsewhere.

ROBERT A. CONVERSE

Town Building Survey Committee Report

The regular town meeting held on March 13, 1965 authorized the Selectmen to name a Town Building Survey Committee for the purpose of making a study of the need for future town buildings and possible sites for such buildings. The committee has had eight regular meetings since its organizational meeting called by the Selectmen in June.

A questionnaire was sent to each town department requesting its assessment of its present and future space requirements. The committee has visited the library, town offices, highway and water departments and has viewed a number of possible sites. The committee believes that the library is particularly crowded, and that intensive study is needed promptly on the needs of the highway and police departments. After a public hearing, this committee will report its recommendations to the annual town meeting of 1966.

JESSE M. CANERDY, *Chairman*
DONALD E. KUHN, *Secretary*
JUDSON PIERPONT
JAMES K. RUSSELL
WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR.

Building Inspector's Report

Permits — Number and Type	*Estimated Cost*
115 Dwellings	$2,016,000.00
3 Commercial Buildings	113,000.00
3 Commercial Alterations	1,600.00
1 Warehouse	16,000.00
1 School Storage Shed	3,686.00
22 Room Additions	42,800.00
15 Alterations	17,558.00
8 Playrooms	6,550.00
7 Porches	4,550.00
16 Garages	22,500.00
2 Shed Dormers	2,500.00
8 Tool Sheds	1,902.00
1 Carport	300.00
1 Stable	250.00
1 Swimming Pool	1,800.00
1 Fire Damage Repair	8,700.00
13 Demolition	
218	$2,259,696.00

ANTHONY G. MASCARO

This party of hardy explorers will testify that nature in Wilbraham is beautiful, even on a cold, rainy day.

Report of the Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission of Wilbraham has been active throughout the year studying parcels of land throughout the Town which would be desirable to be reserved for conservation.

In July, Mr. G. Milo Green resigned as chairman for physical reasons and Mrs. Herol Harrington was elected to succeed him. Also, during the year John Seavey resigned as a member of the commission and the Selectmen appointed Mrs. Mary O. Crawford to replace him.

At a Special Town Meeting in September, the Town voted to have detailed soils analysis maps made of the Town. They are now in the process of being made and should be completed by spring. At this meeting the Town also voted to purchase the property of Robert C. Dietz — about 4 acres on Rattlesnake Peak, containing one of the best scenic views in Wilbraham. We are investigating the possibility of obtaining other tracts in this area which we feel would be desirable to remain as open spaces.

A gift of 8½ acres of land has been given to the commission by Mrs. Elizabeth C. P. Bacon. This property is located to the rear of other land sold to the Town by her on the east side of Stony Hill Road.

List of properties now held by the commission:

1. Bruuer Pond area — Main Street.
2. Lot on Fox Hill Drive — gift of Mr. A. Liquori.
3. 4½ acres on Rattlesnake Peak (Dietz property).
4. 8½ acres off Stony Hill Road — gift of Elizabeth C. P. Bacon.

Herol Harrington, *Chairman*
Doris Magruder
Mary O. Crawford
G. Milo Green
Richard Swain
David Birkhaeuser
Francis J. Bennett, *Secretary*

Summary of Final Report of the Study Committee on Town Government Administration

In presenting our final report we desire to remind you of the two basic facts which were stated in our interim report (Page 73 of the 1964 Town Report) and which we have kept in mind in our continuing study of Town Government Administration, namely:

1. Wilbraham is a growing town and its administrative setup must at all times keep pace with this growth.
2. Any suggested changes must be (a) needed currently, (b) fit into any overall plan, and (c) have flexibility to meet changing circumstances in the future.

Our interim report contained only one recommendation — the advisability of directing your Selectmen to hire a qualified engineer who would be known as the Town Engineer. This recommendation was approved by your acceptance of Article 25 at the 1965 Annual Town Meeting. On July 19, 1965 the Selectmen employed Walter F. Markett, Jr. formerly the Town Engineer for South Windsor, Connecticut to be the Town Engineer for Wilbraham.

This initial step towards development of efficient operation of our Town Government will fit in most admirably with the recommended changes in our governmental setup which are included in this report and which we recommend be accepted and put into operation.

The study committee was confronted with a tremendous problem in presenting our findings and in proposing various recommendations for your consideration some of which if accepted may become effective during 1967 and others at some point of time in the future. Therefore, in studying the various phases of Government Administration we developed specific objectives and have followed these objectives in presenting certain facts for your consideration. Our objectives were as follows:

1. To identify the adequacies and inadequacies of our present public services and to recommend utilization of available manpower, equipment and facilities which will result in the best possible services at the least cost to the taxpayer.
2. To gather reliable facts and statistics as to our growth and the need to improve the quality and quantity of public services desired by our citizens, today and in the future.

3. To anticipate the additional needs and services of the foreseeable future both on our present basis and future needs.
4. To establish objectives and priority for immediate and long-range improvement of our local governmental operations and public services.
5. To outline programs of action to achieve the goals for the various services and improvements which are anticipated by the committee.
6. And to suggest ways and means of implementation to achieve the end results, subject to acceptance by our townspeople.

A further objective was to enlist the support and involvement of town officials and employees in the development of efficient Governmental functions and a general improvement of public services the respective departments now render.

Inasmuch as this study was requested by the townspeople for any possible improvement in their own government your committee in analysing our present organization and in developing our logic for future needs, concentrated on three main operations, namely: Organization, Administration, and Financial aspects of the various governmental functions.

We have rendered to the Board of Selectmen a most voluminous final report of the work of the Study Committee during the past two years. This report contains numerous charts, graphs and statistical information relative to our present governmental operations, our analysis of the operations of other Massachusetts towns as well as the operations of other cities and towns across the nation together with our recommendations for present and future consideration for the improvement of our local governmental operations.

It became apparent on completion of the report that it was indeed too voluminous to be included in the Town Report for 1965 in its entirety, hence it is included in Summary form only. The complete original report is on file in the office of the Board of Selectmen and mimeograph copies will be available at the Town Office and at the Town Meeting.

A careful analysis of our present organization clearly emphasizes the need for some reorganization along functional lines, if we are to render the various public services that will be needed in the future. This type of organization might appear satisfactory for a small town of 2,500 population but not for a community

of 25,000 people which we may reach by 1975. As the complexities of government increase yearly by demands from State and Federal Legislation, reorganization along functional lines would be a more orderly development. Many local governments have "grown like Topsy" and have made no attempt to departmentalize, combine, merge, consolidate or co-ordinate responsibilities of a similar nature under one head for efficient and economical operation.

Our work these past two years included the study of Representative Town Meetings, Selectmen-Town Managers, Executive Secretary and Town Manager forms of government. However, we felt that none of these forms at this time would be a solution to our immediate problems.

Further study indicated that our immediate goal should be the establishment of a Department of Public Works and a Department of Public Safety. A further goal should be the establishment in the future of a Department of Public Health and Welfare and a Department of General Government and Financial Administration. These changes in our present form of administration will definitely be of assistance to our Selectmen and will increase the efficiency of our operations.

Our recommendations are as follows:

For present consideration:

(a) Establishment of a Department of Public Works.

(b) Establishment of a Department of Public Safety.

For future consideration:

(c) Establishment of a Department of Public Health and Welfare.

(d) Establishment of a Department of General Government and Financial Administration.

Briefly stated, our recommendations for present consideration of the establishment of the Departments of Public Works and Public Safety are made for the following reasons and considerations:

For the Department of Public Works:

1. To obtain efficient operation by utilizing town employees' skill and town equipment on any of the town's projects.
2. By scheduling the work in the various divisions so that the maximum use of the town's equipment may be obtained.

3. By the centralized purchasing of the materials used by all divisions.
4. Resultant lower costs.

For the Department of Public Safety:

1. The more effective use of manpower and equipment.
2. Faster, better, more efficient service to our townspeople.
3. More widely trained personnel.
4. Lower costs.
5. Consolidation of all Communication Systems for emergencies.
6. Better coverage for Ambulance, First Aid and Rescue Operations.
7. Timetable for adoption most opportune.
8. Other services classified under "Protection of Persons and Property" can be gradually integrated.

We appreciate the opportunity which was given to us to make a study of Town Government Administration and urge your acceptance of our recommendations. Your acceptance will be another step towards the efficient and economical administration of our local governmental operations.

JESSE L. RICE
SARKIS SERDARIAN
ALBERT HOWES
ALBERT E. NEALE
FREDERICK M. COHN
ROGER T. HINTZE, *Chairman*

Water Commissioners' Report

In 1965 there were 50 new services installed, compared to 47 for 1964; and 100 for 1963.

At the Special Town Meeting in September, $280,000 was appropriated for water main extension in the southern end of Town. An engineering firm, Tighe and Bond, has been engaged to do the engineering phase of this work which was started in November 1965. Pipe laying is scheduled for April 1966, with substantial completion by August 1966.

At this same Town Meeting, the 1959 Betterment Assessments were rescinded. The Water Board adopted new regulations for allocating to the abutters the costs of water main extensions. These new regulations provide greater administrative flexibility and homeowner equity under present day conditions.

Under the five year plan of eliminating 2" iron water mains, an additional 200 feet was replaced in 1965.

WILLIAM R. HANNAH, *Chairman*
WILLARD P. WILLIS
DONALD STUART

Playground Commission Report

The year 1965 proved to be a very successful year for the Playground Department. The success of this program is largely due to the fine cooperation on the part of the instructors, participants, and the various Town departments.

The recreational program lasted six weeks during July and August. As in the past, the program was under the supervision of Mr. Richard P. Spencer. Adult Assistants were Louis Verani, Mrs. Helen Szaban, Marios Kacoyannakis, Miss Katharine Parker and William Thurlow, Jr. Activities took place at Memorial School, Pines School, Stony Hill School and Mile Tree School. For the third consecutive year Spec Pond was used in conjunction with the regular Lions Club summer program. This program includes the basics of water safety, nature study, and the use of boats and canoes. The recreational program included arts and crafts, group sports, group games, and supervised use of playground equipment.

To keep up with our ever-expanding needs, the Commission, together with the invaluable help of the School Department, constructed a baseball diamond at Mile Tree School. Normal maintenance was carried out on our other fields at Grassy Hollow and Memorial Hollow. To improve the use of these facilities all the backstops were repaired. The Commission rendered assistance to the Wilbraham Heights Community Association in developing Town property on Manchonis Road Extension. We anticipate even greater assistance to this group in 1966. We feel that civic mindedness in this endeavor should be fostered and encouraged and the Commission will never hesitate in cooperating with these groups.

The year 1965 was successful. The year 1966 will be greater yet with the cooperation on the part of the citizens of Wilbraham.

The Commission wishes to extend its sincere thanks to the Highway Department, Fire Department, Police Department, St. Cecilia's Men's Club and the Spec Pond Recreation Staff for their cooperation in our endeavors. We wish also to extend thanks to Mr. Irving H. Agard and the School Department for their industry and assistance.

Charles Lockwood, *Chairman*
Norman Hughes
Robert LaBroad
Edward Malzinski

Aid to Agriculture and Hampden County Improvement League

Agriculture Work

Primary emphasis in all agriculture projects during the past year has been the improvement in the management capabilities of interested farmers in the Hampden County area. Agents in Hampden County assisted farmers through meetings, circular letters and individual farm visits throughout the year. Specific information requested was available from agents at all times.

4-H Club Work

During the year there were 66 boys and girls enrolled in the various projects offered. 18 local leaders assisted the County club agents and State extension specialists in conducting the projects. The leaders incurred expenses totalling $22.75.

Home Department Work

During the year, 53 women attended 23 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 31 leaders assisted by the County home demonstration agents and State extension specialists. There were 15 different projects offered. The local leaders incurred expenses totalling $54.18.

The appropriation made by your Town was used by the agents of the Trustees for Wilbraham residents only.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1965 Appropriation	$200.00
1964 Unexpended Balance	35.94
Total Available for 1965	$235.94
Total Expenditure in 1965	76.93
Total Available for 1966	$159.01
Recommended Appropriation for 1966	$75.00

ALBERT H. FULLER, *Clerk*

Plumbing Inspector's Report

For the period from January 1, 1965 through December 31, 1965, permits issued for septic tanks, plumbing and gas installations totaled 424, and the break-down is as follows:

Septic Tanks: 125 new installations; 16 repairs or alterations
Plumbing: 115 new installations; 29 repairs or alterations
Gas Piping: 139 installations

HARRY L. KING

Veterans' Service Department Report

The following report is submitted for the year ended December 31, 1965:

	1965	%	1964	%
Expenditures:				
Ordinary Benefit	$6,687.15	91.0	$6,943.05	62.4
Burial Allowance			250.00	2.2
Hospitalization and/or Medical	659.96	9.0	3,938.05	35.4
Total Expenditure for Veterans' Benefits	7,347.11	100.0	11,131.10	100.0
Administrative Expenses	115.92		113.35	
Total Expenditure	7,463.03		11,244.45	
Less: Recoveries of Veterans' Benefits	1,530.00		460.00	
Net Expenditure	$5,933.03		$10,784.45	

During 1965 eight (8) cases were aided as compared to fourteen (14) in 1964. The analysis above reflects the cost and its distribution.

All cases aided were Wilbraham settled (5 years or more residence in Wilbraham). In view of this a net reimbursement of 50% of the total expenditure for Veterans' Benefits, net of recoveries, for 1965 can be expected from the State.

All veterans residing in Town are invited to avail themselves of the services of this office. Office hours are from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. each Monday evening at the Town Hall, East Longmeadow.

GEORGE A. DUSENBERRY, *Agent*

Animal Inspector's Report

A total of 360 animals were inspected and found to be clean and free from disease. A break-down consists of — 151 dairy cows, 3 bulls, 24 beef cows, 63 horses, 40 goats and 79 sheep.

Four dairy cows from out-of-state were shipped into Town and were inspected at the owner's farm. All were found to be clean and free from disease.

ROBERT A. CONVERSE

Fire Commissioners' Report

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Wilbraham, Massachusetts:

We respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Fire Commissioners for 1965.

Ten meetings were held during the year.

On September 2, 1965, permanent Fireman Daniel Merritt was granted a leave of absence to serve in the United States Navy. Raymond Peter Yamer of 11 Weston Street was employed to fill the vacancy.

Our Reo Fire Truck, purchased in 1938, gave out completely on December 9, 1965 making it necessary to ask the voters for permission to purchase a new fire truck.

Due to the resignation of Commissioner Jimmie D. Staggs, the Board of Selectmen appointed Robert T. Welch of Woodland Road to fill the vacancy.

For the help and cooperation of the citizens of the Town and the faithful manner in which Chief Tupper and the members of the department have performed their duty, our sincere thanks.

OREN K. GILBERT, *Chairman*
J. WESLEY NOWELL ROBERT T. WELCH

Fire Department Report

Telephone number 6-3111, our emergency telephone for incoming calls, is to be used for reporting fires, emergencies and ambulance service *only*. Keep this number posted by your telephone and dial it yourself, giving your name and address, what type of emergency and stay with the dispatcher until all information is given. By dialing Operator, much delay is involved. On all other calls pertaining to Fire Department, please dial 6-3122. *This is very important.*

Fire Loss

Buildings (51)	$16,256.00
Contents	2,445.25
Assessed Valuation	568,590.00

Department responded to 424 alarms: 51 buildings, 121 grass and brush, 24 automobiles, 1 bulldozer, 11 dump, 1 freight car, 4 gasoline spills, 1 bomb scare, 17 miscellaneous, 13 mutual aid out of town, 6 false alarms and 174 emergencies.

Thirty-six permits were issued for installation of oil burning equipment, 21 for L.P. gas installations, and 17 permits for dynamite. Eighty-five extinguishers were recharged. All school and public buildings were inspected quarterly and found in order. Inspection reports were submitted; 117 inspections were made.

Sadly, after many years, I am submitting my last fire and forest warden reports. I must retire March 31, 1966. The Town has been very good to me and has shown great faith in me as evi-

denced by the way they supported my judgement in building the Fire Department up to its present status. The fire personnel and all Town departments have always given me excellent co-operation and I wish to thank them and also the people of the Town for a most satisfying experience as their Fire Chief.

I wish to say at this time that I will always be available to help the Town and my successor at any time in any way that I can. It has been a great honor to be able to serve the Town I love. I hope my record will show I have been worthy of it.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR., *Fire Chief*

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Commissioners: Oren K. Gilbert, Chairman; J. Wesley Nowell, Robert T. Welch.

Permanent: Ralph E. Tupper, Sr., Chief; Cyril Woods, Assistant Chief; Robert C. Dietz, David Macdonald, Robert Macauley, Richard Cochran, James Denniss, Raymond Yamer, Wayne Rice, Armed Service, Daniel Merritt, Armed Service.

Medical Officer: Dr. Richard Butler.

First Aid Instructor: Charles Dorey.

Dispatchers: Mary Chapman, Berenice Tupper, Martha Woods.

Call Firemen: Raymond Beach, Jr., Assistant Chief; Roger Whitehill, Captain; Bryant Carpenter, Lieutenant; Andrew Grzybowski, George King, Phillip Shaw, Jr., Harold Porter, Clifton Scott, Ronald VonFlatern, William Tupper, Walter Howe, Jr.

Auxiliary Firemen: Stephen Eisold, Wayne Fisher, Richard Motyka, Douglas Beach, David Kaynor, Patrick Rossall, Roger Hitchcock, Brian Dollar, Jeff Howe, Leonard VonFlatern, Sr., John Campsie, Charles Dorey, Karl Tupper, Thomas Mascaro, Peter Boden, Tim Maderia, Pete Maderia, Ted Gebeau, Jr., Bruce Sigsbee, John Shaughnessy.

Forest Warden's Report

Two thousand one hundred and thirty seven (2,137) permits were issued for open air fires. At numerous times of the year no burning in the open is allowed. For a permit to burn during the year dial 6-3122. Our emergency telephone 6-3111 should not be used for this purpose. The only incinerator that can be used in the open air without a permit must be one that releases no sparks or open flame. The wire basket type is not allowed in Wilbraham. If in doubt when purchasing an incinerator call the Fire Chief for information.

Deputy Forest Wardens: John Leary, John Chrzanowski, Steve Lopata, Terrance Reidy, Cyril Woods, Robert C. Dietz, David Macdonald, Robert Macauley, Raymond Beach, Jr.

RALPH E. TUPPER, SR.

In Appreciation

Each year, immediately after Town Meeting and elections, it becomes the duty of your Selectmen to make appointments to the several committees and commissions necessary for efficient operation of the many components of town management. These people, together with elected members of various boards and offices, form the operating structure of your Town Government. Very few of these posts carry even minor financial remuneration. Most of them are simply a service to the town, the only reward to the members being the satisfaction of a job well done.

To all of these people, the town is greatly indebted. Without their contributions of time, energy and ability it would be impossibly expensive to carry on the many functions of Town Government. The service they give is beyond price — one can hardly estimate the cost of replacing them with a paid staff of comparable ability.

This year, as is too often the case, we are losing several of Wilbraham's most devoted workers, some through business moves or press of personal duties, others for reasons of health or retirement. In expressing our thanks to all of these citizens, it seems fitting that a rather special tribute be paid to two of our retiring workers.

Pearl R. Kinney, a member of the Board of Appeals since 1953, has found it necessary for reasons of health, to tender his resignation. He will be greatly missed. Born in Moores, New York in 1879, Mr. Kinney came to live in Massachusetts at the age of seven, and as he grew to manhood in the Lowell and Billerica areas, he became interested and extremely well-informed in matters of civic government and management, serving in several capacities in his Town.

In 1943, the senior Kinneys came, with their son Allan, to live on Stony Hill Road, where they transformed an old farm into a charming, modern home. During his 22 years' residence in Wilbraham, Mr. Kinney has maintained a constantly alert and intelligent interest in Town affairs, and his participation in our councils will be missed. The Town owes him much for his years of service.

Retiring on March 31st, after 46 years' service, is our capable and devoted Fire Chief Ralph E. Tupper. Since 1919, when he became an unpaid volunteer fireman, Ralph Tupper has had one major interest in his life — providing fire protection and

teaching fire prevention to the residents of Wilbraham. Each year the scope of his duties became broader. In 1937 he was named Assistant Chief; in 1944 he was appointed Chief, and in 1948 the responsibilities of Fire Warden were added to his duties. All of these duties he has performed superlatively well.

In these years, Wilbraham has grown from a New England country village to a pleasant residential town, with a well-equipped system of fire protection, modern equipment and well-trained personnel. For all of this we owe sincere thanks to the devotion of an outstanding Fire Chief and Warden, whose feelings are best stated in his own words from his report for the year 1965 — "It has been a great honor to serve the Town I love." To Chief Tupper the townspeople wish many happy years of retirement.

Fire Chief Ralph E. Tupper

Electrical Inspector's Report

From the period starting January 1, 1965 and ending December 31, 1965, there were 242 electrical permits issued at fees ranging from $2.00 to $15.00. This is a decrease of 30 permits from 1964 when there were 272 electrical permits issued. The permits for 1965 were for the following:

115 new residences
41 service increases from 30 or 60 amp. to 100 amp.
32 additional outlets
5 commercial buildings
8 dryers, oil burners, etc. (separate from new buildings)
38 additions including refinishing cellars, attics, etc.
3 new garages (separate from new houses)

WILLIAM E. FITZGERALD

Assessors' Report

In 1965 there was more Industrial Business and Commercial Real Estate Construction in our town than we have seen for a number of years. The new industrial buildings completed were the Wilbraham Manufacturing Company Plant and the sizeable addition to the Friendly Ice Cream Corporation Plant. The business and commercial buildings included K's Diner, Alberici's Car Wash and the R. P. Pidgeon, Inc. Real Estate Office. Another large addition to the taxable properties is the completion of the Western Massachusetts Electric Company Power Transmission Line. These additions to taxable properties plus the continued high rate of residential construction will increase considerably the total valuation of Real Estate for the year 1966.

In December of 1965, Frederick J. Cummings was appointed to the Board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Whitney C. Stiles.

There were 130 Veterans' abatements granted in 1965 for a dollar value of $7,087 and 63 abatements for elderly persons over 70 for a dollar value of $6,351.53.

The figures used in setting the 1965 tax rate follow:

Appropriations to be raised by taxation	$2,189,075.37	
Appropriations taken from available funds	175,265.92	$2,364,341.29
Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years	1,934.40	
Tax and Assessments:		
State Parks and Reservations	5,190.22	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	971.55	
County Tax	41,121.23	
Underestimate of 1964 County Tax	350.31	
Overlay of current year	18,881.97	68,449.68
		$2,432,790.97

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	$148,467.27	
Corporation Taxes	65,102.61	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	1,404.40	
Old Age Meal Tax	2,327.46	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	254,000.00	
Licenses	13,700.00	
Fines	800.00	
Special Assessments	1,800.00	
General Government	3,500.00	
Protection of Persons and Property	1,200.00	
Health and Sanitation	7,000.00	
Charities (other than Federal grants)	20,000.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal grants)	9,600.00	
Veterans' Services	1,900.00	
School (Funds from Income Tax not to be included)	55,207.20	
Libraries	900.00	
Public Service Enterprises	91,000.00	
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	5,700.00	
State Assistance — School Construction	107,314.08	
Farm Animal Excise	100.00	
Over-estimate of previous year	337.59	
Taken from Available Funds	175,265.92	966,626.53
Net amount to be raised by taxation on Property		$1,466,164.44
Valuation of Personal Property	$2,441,595.00	
Tax on Personal Property		62,260.67
Valuation of Real Estate	55,055,050.00	
Tax on Real Estate		1,403,903.77
Total Tax on Property		$1,466,164.44

Tax Rate per $1,000 — $25.50
School Rate $17.60
General Rate $7.90

HAROLD K. JONES
ALLAN R. KINNEY
FREDERICK J. CUMMINGS

Report of the Police Department

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1965.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief, John S. Leary. *Sergeant,* John J. Chrzanowski. *Regular Patrolmen:* Newton W. Goewey, Jr., Terrence T. Reidy, Alton L. McDonald, Robert Sweeney, Norton Brainard. *Reserve Patrolmen:* Stephen E. Lopata, Albert R. Gouvin, Jr., John Y. Hess, Robert Converse, Richard Poulin. *Auxiliary Police:* Sgt. John J. Connor, Sgt. Wellington C. Rose, Sgt. Ralph M. Kilcourse, Sgt. Emeric J. Wyzik, Joseph Cloutier, Lawrence P. Cloutier, Edward E. Dearborn, Frederick J. Macauley, John Ward, Morrison Marelli, Howard S. McIntosh, Donald A. Bump, Walla Paradis, Alexander Murphy, William H. Rademaekers, Phillip Britten, Arthur W. Hunt, Jr., Stanley J. Pabis. *School Traffic Officers:* Mrs. Mary Strycharz, Mrs. Helen Christenson, Mrs. Marjorie Goewey, Mrs. Joann Zeliwicz, Mrs. Pearle A. Treat. *Dispatchers:* Mrs. Shirley Collette, Mrs. Nancy Bailey, Mrs. Pearle Treat.

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR

Crimes Against the Person: Assault by means of a dangerous weapon, 1; Assault and Battery, 7; Armed Robbery and Rape, 1. *Crime Against Property:* Setting Fires to Woodland, 2; Breaking and Entering and Larceny, 5; Larceny, 4; Using a Motor Vehicle without Authority, 2; Wanton Destruction of Property, 1; Disposal of rubbish (Illegal), 2. *Crimes Against the Public Order, etc.:* Telling fortunes without a license, 2; Disturbing the Peace, 17; Driving while intoxicated, 2; Drunkenness, 23; Operating so as to endanger, 27; Operating an unregistered and uninsured vehicle, 21; Operating without a license, 16; Speeding, 180; Desertion, 1; AWOL, 3; Escapee, 1; Non-support, 1; Possessing a dangerous weapon, 1; Defective Equipment, 8; Passing over a solid line, 52; No sticker, 7; Red Light violations, 20; Stop sign violations, 39; School bus violations, 7; Fugitive from justice, 1; Operating a motor vehicle after suspension or revocation, 14; Vagrancy, 6; Giving a false name to a police officer, 1; Illegal fireworks, 2; Runaway, 5; Insane persons, 2; Passing stolen checks, 2. Total 361. *Disposition of cases:* Fined, 291; Filed, 32; Probation, 12; Sentenced to House of Correction, 8; Sentenced to Youth Service Board, 7; Cases pending, 4; Found not guilty, 7. Total 361.

Total amounts of fines and sentences: Fines imposed, $5,395.00; House of Correction 45 months; Probation 14 years.

In addition to the arrests listed there were 68 juveniles apprehended. Twenty-five of these cases were brought to court and 43 were handled out of court.

Persons reported missing, 5; Lost persons located and returned to their homes, 5; Summonses served for other departments, 435; Complaints received and investigated, 391; Other investigations, 314; Suspicious persons and cars investigated, 110; Street lights reported not burning, 26; Homes vacant and cared for, 218; Buildings found open and secured, 127; De-

fective streets and sidewalks reported, 8; Persons taken in charge and sent home, 35; Pistol permits issued (including one (1) Dealer's Permit), 69; Accident report copies requested and submitted, 146; total value of lost and stolen property recovered $38,455.92.

During the year, 54 persons were transported to hospitals and doctor's offices in the police cruiser. There were 15 cases where the oxygen equipment was used.

There were 155 traffic accidents, of which 81 were property damage only, 74 personal injury accidents in which there were 106 persons injured. Of the 210 cars involved, 141 were operated by out-of-town persons, and 69 by town residents.

The following is a summary of the motor vehicle cases handled the past year:

Passing where view obstructed, 52; Failing to stop for a school bus, 7; No sticker, 5; Failing to stop at stop signs, 39; Speeding, 180; Driving after drinking, 2; Passing a red light, 20; Operating without a license, 16; Altering or forging a driver's license, 1; Operating under the influence, 11; Leaving the scene of an accident, 10; Failing to keep within marked lanes, 3; Using a motor vehicle without authority (summons), 2; Following too closely, 5; Operating an unregistered and uninsured motor vehicle, 21; Spilling load on highway, 7; Refusal to stop for a police officer, 2; Operating after suspension or revocation, 4; Failure to use care in turning, 1; Operating so as to endanger, 27; Attaching plates, 8; Minor having alcoholic beverages in motor vehicle, 6; Racing, 1; No registration in possession, 2; Defective Equipment, 8; Impeded operation, 1; Improper operation, 18; Allowing an improper person to operate, 2. Cases prosecuted in District Court, 377; Cases referred to the Registry of Motor Vehicles, 45; Cases filed with warnings, 188.

JOHN S. LEARY, *Chief of Police*

Spec Pond Report

The Spec Pond recreation area completed its seventh year of operation in 1965. As in the preceding years, the demand for its facilities has continued to grow. The year saw the completion of the Pavilion and the landscaping of its grounds and picnic area. The Western Massachusetts Electric Company gave permission to the Lions Club members to move and to use about 100 truckloads of loam for the Pavilion grounds. As in previous years many truckloads of additional sand were brought in to expand and improve the beach area.

Spec Pond operated for 13 weeks on a 10-hour day basis. The staff included five full time lifeguards and two caretakers. The lifeguard staff was of the highest caliber and deserving of much credit for the excellent way they supervised and protected the children of the community.

Attendance during the year was well over the 40,000 mark. About 400 town children took advantage of the swimming instruction provided by our lifeguard staff. The classes ranged from beginning to advanced swimming. The swimming team competed successfully with other groups in Springfield and Hampden. The sixth annual water carnival was held with all forms of competitive races for our children.

The town-sponsored playground recreational program again used the facilities of the Pond for a 4-week period. This provided an excellent adjunct to their program and it appears that this will continue at the Pond in future summers.

A monument was erected by the Lions Club dedicating the Spec Pond area. It is located in front of the Pavilion and reads, "IN HONOR OF DECEASED LIONS AND FRIENDS WHO SERVED ABOVE SELF IN BUILDING THIS COMMUNITY RECREATION AREA." Various scout and civic groups found a greater use of the area with the added protection of the Pavilion and held overnight camping programs. The pavilion was used throughout the summer for many civic activi-

Coin Club officers get set for an active year.

ties, the most successful being the bi-weekly Wednesday night Teen-Age Dance. These dances were well attended by the town's teen-agers.

Many plans for future expansion and major improvements are in the process of being made. Money over and above operation expenses is put into a capital improvement fund for these purposes. The area is under the supervision of the Wilbraham Lions Club, resulting in no expense to the town.

William Sullivan, Jr., *Chairman*	Robert A. Edwards
Jesse M. Canerdy	Anthony G. Mascaro
Frederick J. Cummings	Frank G. Shannis
Earle W. Decorie	Truman R. Swallow

LIONS CLUB OF WILBRAHAM

Financial Standing as of December 31, 1965

SPEC POND

	Receipts	*Expense*
Cash Balance as of Dec. 31, 1964	$505.96	
Interest Ludlow Savings Bank	10.75	
Transfer from Pavilion Account	246.36	
Palmer Court — Vandal Account	81.50	
Rent Concession Stand — 1964	200.00	
Rent Pavilion	65.00	
Wilbraham Policemen's Ball	75.00	
Wilbraham Firemen's Ball	100.00	
Royce Whitcomb	7.25	
Hardware Centre	14.08	
Christadelphians	40.00	
Leemond Street Group	32.70	
Cash Donations	103.00	
Life Guard Dances	321.15	
Boy Scouts — Richard Brown	15.00	
Amount Subscribed 537 Families	5,405.00	
Payroll — Employee		$4,193.90
Bulldozer — Grading		360.00
Internal Revenue — F.I.C.A.		152.12
Lawn Mower		131.64
Grass Seed		101.38
Insurance		205.47
Water Supplies — Diving Equipment		151.95
Contract Labor		277.00
Lumber, Paint, etc.		345.75
Telephone and Electric Lights		185.08
Fencing		79.87
Plumbing		86.35
Contingencies		192.67
Cash Balance in Bank — December 31, 1965		759.57
	$7,222.75	$7,222.75

Fred J. Cummings, *Treasurer*

Town Engineer's Report

The Town Engineer serves as a professional engineering consultant to the Town of Wilbraham. He provides engineering design services for the Town on all activities which come under the jurisdiction of the engineer. He is called upon to provide engineering services for the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Board of Appeals, Highway Department, Police Department, Water Board, Board of Health, and other Town agencies requesting his assistance.

He is called upon to prepare and/or give his expert opinion on two broad categories of plans: work program and capital improvement. Both require engineering knowhow and an intimate understanding of the Town's engineering needs. These activities are all part of the engineer's management, technical, and administrative responsibility to the Town.

The Town Engineer devotes most of his effort in checking and verifying the work of other engineers who provide services within the Town of Wilbraham. A great deal of this is perfunctory in nature and must be undertaken to arrive at a position where engineering knowhow is needed to form an opinion on a secure basis. The reviewing of applications for individual sewerage disposal systems and subdivision plans is part of the daily activities of the engineer.

The Town Engineer is called upon to prepare engineering hydraulic reports and related construction costs on projects planned to provide additional services to the residents of Wilbraham. He is in continual contact with engineers from many agencies (governmental, state, and private) and under this guidance the Town is assured of the best engineering controls available.

Many hours are devoted by the Town Engineer inspecting public improvements installed in active subdivisions assuring the Town that these installations are in conformance with Town standards. A continual check is maintained in these areas to control the quality of material and workmanship.

Walter F. Markett, Jr.

Report of the Tree Warden

The year 1965 was the driest on record. This statement best describes the problems which this department had in 1965. Many of our existing street trees have declined in vigor as a result of drought conditions. Some of our newly planted saplings have also suffered. Once again we ask townspeople to water the young shade trees during these dry summers.

As the Town of Wilbraham has expanded, the improvement of our highway system, installation of utilities and building of sidewalks has seriously altered our street tree situation. More and more we realize that our trees belong in a definite tree belt location and wherever possible we shall maintain this plan. Along many of our main roads, however, we shall have to move further off the traveled way as we realize that our trees can not survive under the severe conditions to which modern living has subjected them. We ask the home owner to plant trees on his front yard to supplement our program that our future residents may also enjoy the beauty that we have today.

During 1965 we removed 31 trees from our tree belts for various reasons. Most of these were hazardous or dying. The pruning of dead wood along our town roads was continued. Because of the severe drought, the appearance of dead wood seems to build up faster than we can get to it to remove it.

Sixty trees were set out along our highways during the year. This makes a total of 318 new trees planted during the past five years.

Regular maintenance trimming along our utility wires, both telephone and electric, is to be conducted during the winter and spring of 1966. This trimming will be supervised by the tree warden.

During 1965, twenty-four stumps were removed from our highways; we hope to remove as many again in 1966.

Our aims for the coming year include an emphasis on street tree planting, continuing our stumping program, and maintaining our existing shade tree population.

GORDON R. LONG

Planning Board Report

Planning Board activity continued at a high level during 1965. In general, the Board had a regular meeting each week, with special meetings and hearings in addition. The Board formalized

its recent practice of holding on-site public hearings before approving subdivision definitive plans. During the year, definitive plans were submitted for four subdivisions. Public hearings were held on these subdivision plans. Four subdivision plans were approved in 1965, and four others have been disapproved pending changes requested by this and other boards.

At the March 1965 Town Meeting, a Residence Multiple Dwelling Zoning By-Law was adopted by the Town. A petition for a variance to permit a multiple housing development under this By-Law was disapproved at the same meeting.

The first three subdivision plans based on the "cluster" principle were submitted during 1965, under the revised zoning by-laws approved by the Town Meeting in June 1964. These plans are under study by the Planning Board. The cluster principle provides for the subdivision of a tract of land with a smaller lot size than in a conventional subdivision, at the same time reserving a portion of the tract as permanent open space. No greater number of lots is permitted on the land under cluster than under conventional subdivision. In general, the advantage of the cluster principle to the developer is that the streets and services installed for a given number of lots are shorter. The advantage to the Town lies in a shorter total footage of street to maintain, and in the reservation of permanent open space for storm water run-off and/or recreational purposes.

Technical Planning Associates, Inc., the consulting firm which prepared the Wilbraham Master Plan, was retained on several occasions during 1965 for technical service.

As the growth of Wilbraham becomes more intensive and as subdivision control becomes increasingly important to the Town, professional service of this nature will be of value. The Planning Board will seek such service on an infrequent basis when it is felt to be in the interest of the Town.

The Planning Board finds the service of Mr. Walter Markett, the Town Engineer, of great benefit in insuring close inspection of work during subdivision construction. The Town Engineer should prove to be an important addition to the machinery of subdivision control, and will help both the developer and the Town in achieving a continued upgrading of new street construction.

The Board acknowledges the good work of Mrs. Richard Handel, who served as Planning Board Secretary from September

1963 to June 1965. In addition, the Board wishes to recognize the valuable services over several years of Mr. C. Edwin Anderson as an engineering advisor to the Planning Board.

The Planning Board looks forward to 1966 with interest, enthusiasm and a sense of responsibility and accountability to our Town. Your Board feels that maintaining the high character of Wilbraham as a place to live is its most important commitment.

WILLIAM E. LEONARD, *Chairman*
JAMES K. RUSSELL
FRANKLIN T. RICHARDSON
CLAYTON B. HAMMOND
TRUMAN R. SWALLOW

During 1965 Mr. Herbert Daunheimer retired from the Planning Board at the end of his term of service; Mr. William Sullivan and Mr. William Leonard were elected to the Board of Selectmen. The Board acknowledges with gratitude the valued service of these men.

JAMES K. RUSSELL
FRANKLIN T. RICHARDSON
CLAYTON B. HAMMOND
TRUMAN R. SWALLOW

Report of the Personnel Board

The "Personnel Program," adopted as an amendment to the Town By-Laws at the March, 1964 Town Meeting, was amended at the 1965 Annual Town Meeting to reflect changes voted by the Personnel Board.

The Town voted, by ballot, to accept Chapter 32B of the General Laws to provide a plan of Group Life Insurance, Group Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance and Group General Blanket Hospital, Surgical and Medical Insurance. Funds were appropriated at the September, 1965 Special Town Meeting and benefits under the program became effective on October 1, 1965. The Personnel Board had recommended favorable action on this Question, to provide for this additional Fringe Benefit.

Monthly meetings were held by the Personnel Board and matters of classification, compensation and administration were discussed with governing boards and employees.

A detailed study was made of the Salary and Wage Schedule, with particular attention given to positions in the supervisory category, and an upgrading of certain schedules was made, based on a growth and responsibility factor.

HERMAN G. GRANDCHAMP, *Chairman*
MARSHALL E. ROPER, *Secretary*
DARREL S. AMES
JOHN BEMBEN
JOSEPH P. MELL

Pest Control Report

The pest control program in Wilbraham, as in other cities and towns in Massachusetts, is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Natural Resources. This program is aimed at controlling various insect pests in our community, such as Dutch Elm disease, Gypsy moths, cankerworm, forest tent caterpillar and poison ivy. The superintendent of insect pest control is responsible for the control of these pests on town owned property and on private property in the case of Dutch Elm disease where town owned elms are in danger.

During the spring of 1965 all roadside elms were sprayed for control of the European elm bark beetle. This beetle is the carrier of the Dutch Elm disease fungus which kills an elm by clogging its water conducting vessels. The fungus enters a healthy tree as spores carried on the body of the beetle. Along with our spraying program, the removal of diseased elms as soon as possible after infection is, in brief, our Dutch Elm control program as recommended by the Massachusetts Department of Natural Resources.

Throughout the year, 38 elm trees were sampled and sent to the University of Massachusetts Shade Tree Laboratories for testing. All of these samples contained the Dutch Elm disease fungus. These 38 diseased elms were removed in 1965 along with 48 other elms which were either dying or obviously infected. A scouting program conducted late in 1965 resulted in a total of 16 additional "suspected" elms which should be removed before May 1, 1966.

Gypsy moth scouting in 1965 did not turn up any egg clusters in Wilbraham. Our oak areas were, however, once again plagued with outbreaks of cankerworm while some of our roadsides displayed tent caterpillar nests early this spring. These were taken care of wherever heavy infestation required control action.

The mosquito control program was once again conducted in Wilbraham during 1965. Because of severe drought conditions, the mosquito population remained at a low concentration. One spray applied by helicopter in the early summer gave good control for the rest of the year.

During 1965 many roadsides and other town owned properties were sprayed for poison ivy control. We hope in 1966 to continue this spray program on what has become a constant problem.

GORDON R. LONG

Public Welfare Department Report

Various changes occurred in the field of Public Assistance during the past year. The Leisure Time Allowance under Old Age Assistance was increased from $6.00 to $11.50 — this increase affected 24 persons. Due to the additional benefits under the Social Security program it was necessary to adjust the Budgets of 24 cases (29 persons). The Federal financial participation will be increased under the Old Age Assistance, Disability Assistance, and Aid to Families with Dependent Children programs as of January 1, 1966.

Legislation was enacted in Massachusetts to meet the requirements established by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare for the appointment of Social Workers. After October 1, 1965, it is essential that persons employed in the field of Social Work have a Bachelor's degree.

We have a total of 38 persons age 65 or over who are recipients under the Old Age Assistance or Medical Assistance programs. Of this number 22 are receiving either Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits. Our Department submitted forms for the assignment of numbers for those persons who did not qualify for Social Security to make certain that they would be eligible for the "Medicare" program. The enactment of the "Medicare" provisions of the Social Security Amendments of 1965 will undoubtedly have a significant effect, after July 1, 1966, on our Medical programs for those persons age 65 or over.

Following are the totals of cases by Category:

Category	Cases Jan. 1, 1965	Applied 1965	Cases Closed 1965	Active Dec. 31, 1965
Old Age Assistance	24	3	7	20
Medical Assistance	15	13	8	18*
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	8	9	8	9
Disability Assistance	7	2	2	5*
General Relief	3	8	10	1
Total	57	35	35	53†

NOTE: Included in the last total (53) are 8 persons in Nursing Homes and 2 persons in Rest Homes.

* 2 pending

† 4 pending

EAST LONGMEADOW - WILBRAHAM WELFARE DISTRICT

Report for the year ending December 31, 1965 — Administration

Balance January 1, 1965		$3,541.10
Federal and State Funds Received	$16,039.54	
East Longmeadow share	1,920.00	
Wilbraham share	2,080.00	
Total receipts		20,039.54
Total Funds Available		$23,580.64
Administrative expenses		22,076.61
Balance January 1, 1966		$1,504.03

The two Towns' share totalling $4,000.00 for the administrative expenses of the District Office was based on a percentage of case totals in each Town.

East Longmeadow	48% or $1,920.00
Wilbraham	52% or $2,080.00

To Mr. William Sullivan of Wilbraham and Mr. Frederick Joslin of East Longmeadow, the present members of the Prudential Committee, we express our thanks for their assistance.

We also wish to extend our appreciation and best wishes to Mr. Sidney Low for his co-operation while he was a member of the Prudential Committee.

HELEN M. SWEENEY, *Director*

Elected Town Officers
AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare
- Sidney Low, 1966 (Resigned)
- Edward H. Godfrey, *Chair.*, 1967
- William Sullivan, Jr., 1968
- William E. Leonard, 1966 (Elected to fill vacancy)

Town Collector
- Mark E. Reynolds, 1966

Town Clerk
- Doris G. Cochran, 1966 (Resigned)
- Mary L. Powers, 1966 (Appointed to fill vacancy)

Town Treasurer
- Doris G. Cochran, 1966 (Resigned)
- Mary L. Powers, 1966 (Appointed to fill vacancy)

Assessors
- Whitney C. Stiles, 1968 (Resigned)
- Harold K. Jones, *Chair.*, 1966
- Allan R. Kinney, 1967
- Frederick J. Cummings, 1966 (Appointed to fill vacancy)

School Committee
- Alexander W. Marco, *Chair.*, 1966
- Harry J. Dabagian, 1966
- Dr. Clayton L. Thomas, 1967
- David L. Stone, 1967
- Richard R. Hartman, 1968

Tree Warden
- Gordon R. Long, 1966

Cemetery Commissioners
- Weldon G. Jameson, 1968
- Roland H. Bennett, 1966
- John Bernet, 1967

Water Commissioners
William R. Hannah, *Chair.*, 1968
David M. McIntosh, Jr., 1966
(Resigned)
Willard P. Willis, Jr., 1967
Donald G. Stuart
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Moderator
Kenneth R. Bunten, Jr., 1966

Trustees of Public Library
Clifford W. Burgess, *Chair.*, 1966
Muriel L. Boyce, 1967
Leslie D. Polk, 1968

Planning Board
William E. Leonard, 1966
(Resigned)
James K. Russell, 1968
Franklin T. Richardson, 1969
Clayton B. Hammond, 1970
William Sullivan, Jr., 1967
(Resigned)
Robert Swallow, 1966
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Poundkeeper
Robert A. Converse, 1966

Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District Committee
Doris C. Bowman, 1968
C. Leon Erb, 1968
Chester L. Thorndike, 1967
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr., 1966

Surveyors of Lumber
Walter H. Clark, 1966
Jesse L. Rice, 1966

Field Drivers
Benjamin F. Griffin, 1966
Peter Presz, 1966
(Deceased)
Leonard VonFlatern, Sr., 1966
(Resigned)
Homer Chapin, 1966
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Weighers of Grain
Weldon G. Jameson, 1966
Jesse L. Rice, 1966

Measurers of Wood and Charcoal
Walter H. Clark, 1966
Edward P. Lindsay, 1966

Officers Appointed by Selectmen
AND DATE OF EXPIRATION OF TERM

Finance Committee
Aldo E. Alberici, *Chairman*
Fred T. Googins
Herman G. Grandchamp
Albert H. Howes
Marshall Roper
Charles H. Sheline
Stanley E. Kogut
Roger T. Hintze
Richard A. Petzold

Superintendent of Streets
Herbert L. Butler

Police Chief
John E. Leary

Constables
Robert A. Converse
Robert C. Dietz

Milk Inspector
Health Officer (Sanitarian)
John A. Brickett

Dog Officer
Dr. Ronald G. North
Robert A. Converse, *Assistant*

Animal Inspector
Dr. Ronald G. North

Slaughtering Inspector
Robert A. Converse

Secretary to Selectmen
Audrey E. Nims

Town Accountant
Joseph A. Reilly, 1966

Town Counsel
W. Edwin Watkins

Town Engineer
Walter F. Markett, Jr.

Pest Control Officer
Gordon R. Long

Fire Chief
Forest Warden
Ralph E. Tupper

Veterans' Agent
George A. Dusenberry, Jr.

Sealer of Weights and Measures
Charles L. Merrick

Board of Appeals
Ralph E. Keyes, *Chair.*, 1967
Pearl R. Kinney, 1965 (Resigned)
Clayton Fuller, 1968
Harry R. Jeffrey, 1966 (Resigned)
William C. Schickler, Asso., 1968
(Appointed to fill vacancy)
W. Edwin Watkins, 1967
(Resigned)
Henry C. Dautrich, Asso., 1968
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Registrars of Voters
George G. Canney, 1965
Henry P. Baush, 1966
Thomas F. Gallagher, 1967
Mary L. Powers, 1968

Playground Commissioners
Charles Lockwood, *Chairman*
Edward Malzenski
Robert LaBroad
Norman R. Hughes
William J. Miller (Resigned)

Board of Fire Commissioners
Oren K. Gilbert, *Chairman*
J. Wesley Nowell
Jimmie D. Staggs (Resigned)
Robert T. Welch
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Park Commissioner
Gordon R. Long

Radio Advisory Committee
Herbert L. Butler
John S. Leary
Ralph E. Tupper
G. Frederic Boyce
Elton R. Turner

Civil Defense
Walter R. Howe, Jr., *Director*

Building Inspectors
Anthony G. Mascaro
Thomas W. Farnham, Associate

Industrial Development Committee
Francis J. X. Donohue, *Chairman*
Robert P. Ensign
John C. Howard
John E. Blauvelt
Clayton B. Hammond
Francis C. Parker

Electrical Inspector
William E. Fitzgerald

Personnel Board
Herman G. Grandchamp, *Chair.*,
1967
Joseph P. Mell, 1965
John Bemben, 1967
Darrell S. Ames, 1966
Marshall Roper, 1966

Prudential Agent — Welfare Dept.
Sidney Low (Resigned)
William Sullivan, Jr.
(Appointed to fill vacancy)

Plumbing Inspector
Harry L. King, Jr.

Town Report Committee
S. Alberta Stutsman
Lewis A. Shaw
Wadsworth C. Hine
Beatrice Becker

Fence Viewers
Gordon W. Holdridge
W. Gilbert Allyn
Harry R. Whyte

Shade Tree Committee
Margaret W. Bearse
Clifford W. Burgess
Gordon R. Long
Herol Harrington
Clyde F. Barlow

Town Disposal Research Committee
Ralph E. Keyes
Aldo Alberici
Stephen Skorupski
G. Walter Johnson
Joseph K. Preston

By-Laws Study Committee
William Sullivan, Jr.
W. Edwin Watkins
John F. Fitzgerald
Herbert Daunheimer (Resigned)
William E. Leonard
Henry C. W. Dautrich

Conservation Commission
Herol Harrington, *Chair.*, 1966
G. Milo Green, 1966
David E. Birkhaeuser, 1965
Doris Magruder, 1965
Richard C. Swain, 1965
Francis J. Bennett, 1967
Mary O. Crawford, 1968

Town Administration Study Committee
Roger T. Hintze, *Chairman*
Frederick M. Cohn
Albert H. Howes
Albert E. Neale
Sarkis Serdarian
Jesse L. Rice

Town Building Survey Committee
Jesse M. Canerdy, *Chairman*
James K. Russell
Donald Kuhn
Judson Pierpont
William Sullivan, Jr.

School Building Site Committee
Harold E. Porter
Samuel McCleery
John C. Kenney
Robert B. Cross
Edwin C. Satter, III, *Chairman*
Doris Bowman

History Sales Promotion Committee
Michael J. Rudy
Harold F. Storey, *Chairman*
Howard B. Miller
Mary Strycharz

Housing Authority
Ivan V. Wilson
Cynthia K. Furnans
Leo Spear
Peter G. Ellis
George G. Canney
(State Appointee)

School Building Committee
Karl K. Mahaffey, *Chairman*
Arthur W. Reynolds (Resigned)
Doris A. Long
Victor W. Weidman
Earl W. Decorie
Albert Howes
John C. Kenney
Frank A. Wolcott
Irving H. Agard, Advisor

Regional Community Action Committee
Irving H. Agard
W. Gray Mattern, Jr.
Rev. Henry E. Green
Howard T. O'Day
Marilyn Merwin
Joseph R. Twining

Insurance Advisory Committee
Irving H. Agard
Mary L. Powers
Bert Mount
Albert H. Howes
Darrel Ames
Arthur E. Willette, Jr.

Recreation Committee
Anthony G. Mascaro
John Bulgar
Richard E. Scarlet
Barbara Patnode
Franklin Reed
Joseph D. Connelly
Marion Gale

Chairman of Blood Donor program honored.

Governmental Districts and Representatives for the Town of Wilbraham

Second Congressional District

Seventh Councillor District

Worcester and Hampden Senatorial District

Sixteenth Hampden Representative District

United States Senators
Leverett Saltonstall, Dover
Edward M. Kennedy, Boston

Representative in General Court
Vernon R. Farnsworth, Jr.

Republican Town Committee
Stanley Arabik
Maurice H. Baitler
Beatrice L. Becker
Roland H. Bennett
Paul B. Cambo
George G. Canney, *Chairman*
Phyllis R. Christensen
Robert B. Cross
Jean S. Dana
Charles E. Dorey
Robert P. Ensign
Roger W. Folsom
Oren K. Gilbert
Edward H. Godfrey
Marion Gale
Herman G. Grandchamp
Dudley N. Hartt, Jr.
G. Walter Johnson
Harold K. Jones
Charles E. Lockwood
Doris A. Long
Charles L. Merrick
William J. Miller
A. Douglas Morgan
Marjorie W. Payne
Barbara M. Putnam
Franklin T. Richardson
E. Donald Riddle
Gloria C. Russell
Charles H. Sheline
Harold F. Swetland
Myrtie A. Trant
Carol A. Van Brocklyn
W. Edwin Watkins

State Senator
Philip A. Quinn, Spencer

County Commissioners
William F. Stapleton, Holyoke
Thomas F. Sullivan, Springfield
Ralph P. Walsh, Longmeadow

Associate Members
Mary Arabik
Paul G. Benson
Vernon R. Farnsworth, Jr.
Filomena Gilbert
Alice Grandchamp
Jane Hintze
John Jay Madeira
Edward Malzenski
Mary Massidda
Curtis McDonald
Howard B. Miller
Lester Mount, Jr.
Muriel Murphy
Franklin R. Reed
Gilbert S. Stacy
Leo P. Paradis
Wesley J. Nowell
Harold E. Porter
Shirley Nickerson
J. Willard Pickett
James E. Kelley

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Mary Celentano
Margaret E. Dale
William G. Dale
Earl W. Decorie
Steffie Decorie
Irene A. Donovan

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Thomas F. Gallagher
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George L. Giokas
John C. Howard
Mary A. Irla
Marilyn E. Jackson
George H. Kennedy
Stanley E. Kogut
Martha E. LaBroad
Robert J. LaBroad
John R. LeBlanc
Mildred M. Lindell
Walter J. Mazur
Thomas J. Montague
Gladys Nolan Morrissey
John C. Murphy
Barbara G. Patnode
Stanley J. Peczka
William K. Prendergast
John S. Presz
William A. Sitnik
William L. Talbot
Karl Tupper
S. William Whyte
Thaddeus T. Wozniak

Associate Members
Donald Albano
Bernice Connelly
John Chmura
Marian LaRose
John F. Murphy
Donald Page
Bernard J. Patnode

In Memoriam

IRVING J. CORDNER

ERNEST W. FURNANS, JR.

JOHN R. LYMAN

PETER PRESZ

1966-1967 Jury List

Anderson, John H., 4 Shady Lane ..... Accountant
Andrusik, Peter, 472 Springfield Street ..... Clerk
Alberici, Aldo, 318 Stony Hill Road ..... Businessman
Batchelder, Robert L., 17 Glenn Drive ..... Manager
Bennett, Millard H., 14 Bruuer Avenue ..... Insurance
Besciak, John F., 11 Colonial Road ..... Pattern Maker
Birkhaeuser, David E., 25 Brookside Circle ..... Office Worker
Boilard, Robert C., 2 Brooklawn Road ..... Accountant
Bonsall, Robert A., 8 Ruth Drive ..... Chemical Engineer
Brown, Gilbert O., 4 East Colonial Road ..... Superintendent
Bugbee, Eugene H., 10 Arbor Lane ..... Office Supt.
Burgess, Clifford W., 799 Stony Hill Road ..... Businessman
Buxton, William K., 8 Brookdale Drive ..... Public Relations
Campsie, Elizabeth E., 55 Main Street ..... Secretary
Caron, Roger P., 11 Oakland Street ..... Professor
Celentano, Francis J., 120 Washington Road ..... Bus Driver
Chapin, Homer N., 7 Hilltop Drive ..... Ex. Vice Pres.
Chechile, Joseph J., 3 Inwood Drive ..... Controller
Christensen, Warren C., 30 Pomeroy Street ..... Toolmaker
Clark, Andrews, 586 Main Street ..... Real Estate
Cleland, Walter D., 7 West Colonial Road ..... Salesman
Clement, Edward D., 18 Cooley Drive ..... Insurance
Corriveau, Raymond R., 388 Stony Hill Road ..... Farmer
Cummings, David C., 8 Brooklawn Road .....Engineer
Damon, Robert J., 123 Mountain Road ..... Electrician
Damoulakis, George, 18 Jewel Lane ..... Inspector
DeSanti, Raymond J., 803 Tinkham Road ..... Tool Designer
Donovan, Irene A., 4 Cliffside Drive ..... Insurance Underwriter
Driscoll, John J., 38 Brooklawn Road ..... Superintendent
Elkas, Harold G., 39 Faculty Street ..... TV Repairman
Engel, N. Eugene, 2 Joan Street .....Professor
Feeley, Edward W., Jr., 4 Lance Lane ..... District Manager
Fitzhugh, Andrew F., 603 Glendale Road ..... Chemist
Francis, George R., 2424 Boston Road ..... Foreman
Frydryk, Joseph, 12 Weston Street ..... Custodian
Gagnon, Douglas, 3 Highland Avenue ..... Salesman
Garrow, Thomas M., 59 Lake Drive ..... Guard
Giere, Richard V., 5 Rosemary Drive ..... Salesman
Gosciminski, Adolf J., 624 Springfield Street ..... Businessman
Gozdowski, Matthew A., 9 Hunting Lane ..... Pharmacist
Gray, Alexander G., 22 Brooklawn Road ..... Machinist
Green, Millicent G., 399 Main Street ..... Retired
Greene, Howard E., 18 Scenic Drive ..... Shipping Clerk
Hakes, Gerald N., 900 Stony Hill Road ..... Vice President
Hayes, John E., 79 Main Street ..... Salesman
Howard, John C., 7 Brookmont Drive ..... Underwriter
Jackson, George S., 10 Pease Street ..... Accountant
Jensen, Howard T., 11 Wilbraview Drive ..... Insurance Man
Jensen, Norman H., 8 South Colonial Road ..... Businessman
Kervick, William L., 760 Stony Hill Road ..... Printer
King, William C., 12 Joan Street ..... Plant Manager
LaCroix, Oliver J., 88 Mountain Road ..... Cost Accountant

Lambert, Adrian, 12 Belli Drive ..... Teller
Larro, Francis E., 1 Nokomis Road ..... Businessman
Laskey, Edward, 9 Pearl Lane ..... Contractor
LedDuke, Howard E., 820 Tinkham Road ..... Sales Representative
Lees, S. Raymond, 43 Brookside Drive ..... Gen'l Agent
Los, Frederick T., 55 Old Boston Road ..... Carpenter
Lynch, John W., 2 Craigwood Terrace ..... Manager
MacRae, William L., 331 Stony Hill Road ..... Mechanic
Mahaffey, Karl K., 22 Joan Street ..... Chemical Engr.
Martens, Carl B., 851 Ridge Road ..... Salesman
McGregor, Robert W., 807 Tinkham Road ..... Office Inspector
Minor, Calvin A., 35 Bolles Road ..... Telephone Worker
Mitchell, Thomas W., 225 Monson Road ..... Salesman
Morgan, Frederick J., 2629 Boston Road ..... Bank Teller
Napolitan, Richard V., 201 Manchonis Road Ext. ..... Electronic Techn.
Nestor, Thomas M., 6 Swasey Drive ..... Salesman
Normandeau, Norman E., 30 Brookside Circle ..... Grocer
Nowell, J. Wesley, 5 Brookside Circle ..... Salesman
O'Neil, William J., 2 Cliffside Drive ..... Civil Engineer
Page, Donald J., 547 Stony Hill Road ..... Manager
Pease, Holton S., 968 Main Street ..... Farmer
Pettengill, Thomas H., 108 Burleigh Road ..... I.B.M. Operator
Pickett, Willard J., 2 Raymond Drive ..... Assistant Supt.
Powell, Robert S., 20 Stirling Drive ..... Branch Manager
Riga, H. Bradford, 21 Brookside Drive ..... Treasurer
Roberts, Paul, 5 Seneca Street ..... Plumber
Robinson, Charles W., 5 Pearl Drive ..... Mechanic
Rosinski, Joseph, 9 Sunnyside Terrace ..... Foreman
Russell, James K., 732 Stony Hill Road ..... Engineer
Salustri, Walter V., 14 Colonial Road ..... Pharmacist
Schickler, William J., 8 Glenn Drive ..... Engineer
Serdarian, Sarkis, 3 Hitchcock Road ..... Supervisor
Sheline, Charles H., 400 Springfield Street ..... Accountant
Shults, Maitland K., 6 Highland Avenue ..... Grocer
Stanton, Patrick J., 2 East Colonial Road ..... Salesman
Teschendorf, Elmer W., 1 Lebel Avenue ..... Engineer
Theocles, Theoclitos A., 10 Fernwood Drive ..... Factory Worker
Tolzmann, Herbert W., 87 Stony Hill Road ..... Purchasing Agent
Trevallion, Douglas M., 36 Soule Road ..... Realtor
Tripp, Arthur D., 3276 Boston Road ..... Engineer
Troie, Oscar R., 7 Wilson Street ..... Dispatcher
Turcotte, Gilles, 4 Longview Drive ..... Garageman
VanLoan, Marjorie T., 10 Brooklawn Road ..... Housewife
Wade, Donald E., 20 Bruuer Avenue ..... Diemaker
Waid, Clifton, E., 20 Maynard Road ..... Director
Wessells, Eugene H., Jr., 83 Bennett Road ..... Safety Engineer

Report of Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 13, 1965

In accordance with the warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled in the Minnechaug High School Auditorium, Wilbraham.

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. by Town Clerk, Doris G. Cochran who read the warrant. A short recess was called until people in the hall could be seated.

The meeting resumed and the following tellers were sworn by the Town Clerk: Robert B. Cross, Head Teller; Hubert S. McDonald, John C. Howard, William K. Prendergast, Franklin T. Richardson, Robert P. Ensign. It was noted that a quorum was present.

The Town Clerk announced that this was the 202nd Annual Town Meeting; also that the 1965 State Census had been completed and our population figure, 9707. By precincts population is as follows: A — 3343, B — 3227, and C — 3137.

The Clerk asked that names be placed in nomination for Moderator to preside at this Annual Town Meeting.

Fred T. Googins nominated Kenneth R. Bunten —
Vote 263

George H. Kennedy nominated John F. Fitzgerald —
Vote 117

Mr. Bunten being the people's choice was duly sworn in by the Town Clerk to serve as Moderator at this meeting.

ARTICLE 1. To choose one Poundkeeper; two Measurers of Wood and Charcoal; two Surveyors of Lumber; three Field Drivers; two Weighers of Grain — all for the term of one year.

Town Officers elected by unanimous vote were as follows: Poundkeeper, Robert A. Converse; Measurers of Wood and Charcoal, Walter H. Clark, Edward P. Lindsay; Surveyors of Lumber, Walter H. Clark, Jesse L. Rice; Field Drivers, Benjamin F. Griffin, Peter Prez, Leonard F. VonFlatern, Sr.; Weighers of Grain, Weldon G. Jameson, Jesse L. Rice.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer, and other officers or committees.

Voted unanimously to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer and other officers or committees, as printed in the Town Report.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1965 and ending March 31, 1966.

Voted unanimously to fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1965 and ending March 31, 1966 as follows: Town Clerk, $2,600.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,600.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meeting, $15.00 Special Town Meetings; Town Collector, $4,680.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden, $2.00 per hour ($2.00 per hour for use of truck when needed); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00, Chairman, $650.00; Assessors, $1.50 per hour; Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for the time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Tax of 1964.

Voted unanimously that $1,220.77, the Town's share of the Dog Tax for 1964, be added to the Library appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee together with the appropriations recommended by them and to raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for defraying the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and appropriate the same and vote how the same shall be raised. (See pages 119 to 128 inclusive)

Voted unanimously that the Town accept the report of the Finance Committee and raise and appropriate the sum of $1,983,653.37 to cover the necessary operating expenses of the Town for the ensuing year per itemized list of appropriations on Page 119 to Page 128 inclusive, of the Annual Town Report of 1964: GENERAL GOVERNMENT — Selectmen, $10,523.00; Out-of-State Travel, $75.00; Accounting Department, $9,468.00; Town Treasurer, $6,045.00; Town Collector, $9,884.00; Assessors, $11,665.00; Town Clerk,

$4,845.00; Legal, $6,225.00; Elections and Town Meeting Expense, $993.00; Registrars of Voters, $1,070.00; Planning Board, $5,022.00; Board of Appeals, $904.00; Town Office and Building Maintenance, $6,489.00; Total General Government, $73,208.00. PUBLIC SAFETY — Police Department, $48,958.00; Fire Department, $52,785.00; Pest Control, $1,800.00; Dead Wood, $3,500.00; Forest Warden, $900.00; Aid to Agriculture, $200.00; Tree Warden, $5,000.00; Civil Defense, $1,100.00; Dog Officer, $150.00; Building Inspector, $3,275.00; Wiring Inspector, $1,490.00; Sealer of Weights and Measures, $350.00; Total Public Safety, $119,508.00. HEALTH AND SANITATION — Board of Health, $14,706.00; Mosquito Control, $3,000.00; Inspector of Animals, $65.00; Inspector of Slaughtering, $50.00; Total Health and Sanitation, $17,821.00. HIGHWAYS — Highway Department, $62,000.00; Road Machinery Operating Account, $8,000.00; Street Lights, $11,300.00; Total Highways, $81,300.00. CHARITIES — Department of Public Welfare, Administration, $2,080.00; Aid: General Relief, $4,000.00; Old Age Assistance, $27,000.00; Aid to Dependent Children, $12,000.00; Disability Assistance, $5,000.00; Total Charities, $50,080.00. SOLDIERS' BENEFITS — Veterans' Service Department (including aid), Total $9,455.00. SCHOOLS — Local, $828,867.00; Hampden-Wilbraham Regional, $543,144.96; Total Schools, $1,372,011.96. LIBRARY — Total $28,718.21. RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS — Parks, $750.00; Playgrounds, $5,920.00; Community Program, $6,480.00; Memorial and Independence Day, $200.00; Total Recreation and Celebrations, $13,350.00. PENSIONS — Assessment, Hampden County Retirement System, Total, $15,602.20. UNCLASSIFIED — Printing Town Reports, $4,000.00; Insurance and Bonding, $10,099.00; Industrial Development, $100.00; Conservation Commission, $120.00; Conservation Fund, $1,500.00; Total Unclassified, $15,819.00. PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE — Water Department, Maintenance, Total, $30,200.00. CEMETERIES — Total $2,150.00. MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST — Maturing Debt, School Bonds, $130,000.00; Water Bonds, $5,000.00; Maturing Interest, School Bonds, $15,927.50, Water Bonds, $1,102.50; Temporary Loan Interest, $2,400.00; Total Maturing Debt and Interest, $154,430.00.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,846.75, or take any other action relative thereto.

This sum representing the Grant received from the State for Library purposes.

Voted unanimously that $1,846.75 representing the Grant received from the State for Library purposes, be added to the Library appropriation.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,850.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a sander for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00, or any other sum for a ½ Ton Pick-up Truck for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

This amount represents the cost to the Town after deducting the trade-in value of a 1953 ½ Ton Pick-up.

Voted unanimously.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Operating Account the sum of $9,500.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a 3½ Ton Truck with two-way radio for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Note: Meeting adjourned for noon recess at 11:55 a.m.; called to order for afternoon session at 1 p.m. It was noted that a quorum was present, but a short recess was called so that everyone might be seated.

Francis C. Parker was sworn in as a teller to replace William K. Prendergast for the afternoon session.

Mr. Low, Selectman made the following remarks:

"Mr. Moderator: With your permission I would like, on behalf of all of us, to take this opportunity to offer a tribute to Mr. Jesse L. Rice. As most of you know, Mr. Rice is retiring from politics after having served the town for 15 years, 6 as a member of the Board of Appeals, 9 as a member of the Board of Selectmen. On three occasions he has served as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. Jesse, and the fruit he raises on his farm, are probably two of the

best known, and respected products of Wilbraham. During his many years of service he has given freely of his time. Basically a conservative man, he nevertheless is a solid backer of orderly progress and growth for the town.

Underlying his every action is an acute sense of justice and real concern for others. Whenever he hears that a person is in trouble his first reaction is 'What can I do to help.' It has been a pleasure and a privilege for those of us who had the opportunity to serve with Jesse. No tribute to Jesse would be complete without paying tribute to his patient and understanding wife, Winnie. In every respect she is a tremendous asset to both Jesse and the Town of Wilbraham.

(Edward Godfrey presented Mrs. Rice with a bouquet.)

Mr. Moderator — I move we give the retiring Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Jesse L. Rice and his wife, Winnie, a rising vote of thanks for their years of dedicated service." Mr. Godfrey seconded.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,200.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of two (2) cruisers for the use of the Wilbraham Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

This sum represents the net cost to the Town after deducting the trade-in value of the present cruisers.

Voted unanimously.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Northwood Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 16, 1965, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, or take any other action relative thereto. No appropriation being necessary therefor. Said acceptance to be conditional upon a vote to construct a sidewalk on Springfield Street and Northwood Drive under Article 12.

Voted by a majority to take no action.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $44,800.00, or any other sum, for the construction of a sidewalk, beginning at the Stony Hill School property line in Northwood Village, southerly to Springfield Street on the westerly side of Northwood Drive, and westerly on the northerly side of Springfield Street to the Springfield City Line, a distance of 1.3 miles, more or less, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain any easements which may

be required, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority to take no action.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Agreement between the Towns of Wilbraham and Hampden, Massachusetts with respect to the Formation of a Regional School District so as to include grades seven through twelve in said Regional School District. The details of the amendments being contained in a document entitled "Form of Proposed Amendments to the Agreement Between the Towns of Wilbraham and Hampden, Massachusetts, With Respect to the Formation of a Regional School District as Adopted By Each of Said Towns on October 22, 1956" as filed with the Wilbraham Board of Selectmen on February 12, 1965 and with the Wilbraham Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town not amend the Agreement between the Towns of Wilbraham and Hampden, Massachusetts, with respect to the Formation of a Regional School District.

In favor	111
Opposed	218

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a School Building Site Committee to find sites for future junior high schools and elementary schools and to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00, or any other sum, to be expended at the discretion of said committees or take any other action relative thereto.

The committee to be instructed not to spend in excess of said amount.

Voted by a majority.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,500.00, or any other sum, for the resurfacing of River Road from Old Boston Road westerly to Stony Hill Road for a distance of 2700 feet, more or less, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $16,875.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of installing a drainage system in Stony Hill Road for a distance of 1300 feet, more or less, from Glenn Drive southerly to Fernwood Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,050.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of completing reconstruction of Soule Road from East Longmeadow Road easterly to Stony Hill Road for a distance of 1800 feet, more or less, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction, and that in addition the sum of $19,500.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and that in addition the sum of $5,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,377.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway Work, and that in addition the sum of $18,425.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored, upon its receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,666.00, or any other sum, for the location, relocation, alteration, and construction of Soule Road from Stony Hill Road running easterly to Main Street, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain; or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,750.00, or any other sum, for the resurfacing of Tinkham Road from Main Street running westerly to Stony Hill Road for a distance of 6,645 feet, more or less, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,750.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of paying the Town's share for painting and repairing the Green-Towne Bridge, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,889.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of installing a drainage system in Tinkham Road to run northwesterly from Rochford Drive to Merrick's swamp for a distance of 1100 feet, more or less, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain if necessary, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $32,000.00 for the purpose of installing a drainage system in Tinkham Road to run westerly from Longview Drive to the North Branch of the Mill River for a distance of 2,700 feet, more or less, or to run said drainage system to the Merrick swamp on the north side of Tinkham Road a distance of 1,100 feet, more or less, at the discretion of the Selectmen after negotiation with the Merrick heirs. If the latter alternative is chosen, any surplus of funds appropriated shall be returned to available funds in the treasury.

This vote amended the original article.

NOTE: Voted by a majority to adjourn this session at 5:55 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 15, 1965 at Minnechaug High School Auditorium.

The adjourned session of March 13, 1965 Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., March 15, 1965 and a quorum declared present by the Moderator.

Tellers sworn: Francis J. Bennett and John F. Fitzgerald.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to employ a registered professional engineer to serve as Town Engineer at a salary not to exceed $9,500.00 per year, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Fox Hill Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 16, 1965 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor.

Voted unanimously.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make application to the Community Facilities Administration of the Housing and Home Finance Agency under the terms of Public Law 560 for an interest free loan to finance a sewer study for the Town, and that the Selectmen be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Housing and Home Finance Agency for said loan. The above study to be made by an engineering firm selected by the Board of Selectmen with the understanding that the engineering fee shall not exceed the sum of $7,500.00, or any other sum, for the requested planning advance, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $10,436.00, or any other sum, to be spent by the Water Department for additional household and business installations for water service, the cost of which is to be collected by the Town from the individuals or concerns requesting installations, to be restored upon receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,200.00, or any other sum, to be expended under the joint supervision of the Planning Board and the Board of Assessors, for the maintenance and updating of maps and plans for the use of said Planning Board and Board of Assessors, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Wilbraham 1964 Revision by adding a new district as set forth in a document entitled "Proposed Warrant for the Town of Wilbraham — Multiple Dwelling District" dated November 16, 1964 and filed with the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Wilbraham, 1964 Revision, by adding a new district as set forth in a document entitled "Proposed Warrant for the Town of Wilbraham — Multiple Dwelling District" dated November 16, 1964 and filed with the Town Clerk, as further amended and revised at this Annual Town Meeting, March 13, 1965.

R-MD (2/3 vote required)

In favor	139
Opposed	43

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning of land of R. L. Sirois, Inc. in the Town of Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts with 577', more or less, frontage on the northerly side of River Road bounded northerly and easterly by Western Mass. Electric Co. and westerly by other land of R. L. Sirois, Inc. from Industrial District to Multiple Dwelling District, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously to take no action.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,870.00, or any other sum, to purchase addressograph equipment for billing use in the Town Offices, or take any other action relative thereto.

This sum represents the net cost to the Town after deducting the trade-in value of the present addressograph equipment.

Voted unanimously.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to rescind its action on Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting of June 18, 1963 authorizing the Selectmen to convey on behalf of the Town to Frank P. Nowak and Anna C. Nowak a certain parcel of land situated southerly of River Road and westerly of Bridge Street, as the Nowaks no longer wish to purchase this piece of property, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 34. Whereas Charles J. Labody and Stella A. Labody by deed dated September 21, 1963 conveyed a certain parcel of land lying 1925 feet, more or less, easterly of Stony Hill Road in Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts as further bounded and described in said deed, for conservation or other municipal purposes.

Whereas this land was conveyed to the Town to help the Town in its case in opposition to the electric transmission line

and is no longer needed for this purpose or for conservation purposes.

Therefore it is now desirable:

To see if the Town will vote to accept the deed from Labodys and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey the land back to the said Labodys with the thanks of the Town and without cost to the said Labodys.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $30,000.00, or any other sum, for a Reserve Fund; $20,000.00 to be raised by taxation and $10,000.00 to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority that the Town appropriate the sum of $130,000.00 for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund; $80,000.00 to be raised by taxation and $50,000.00 to be transferred from available funds in the treasury. This vote amended the original motion.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws entitled "Personnel Program" dated February 10, 1964 and filed with the Town Clerk, as set forth in "Amendments to the Personnel Program" dated February 10, 1965 and filed with the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 403 of the Acts of 1936 of the Commonwealth entitled "An Act Providing for the Inclusion of Additional Public Employees within the Provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Law" and to cover all employees of the Town under said Workmen's Compensation Law except members of the police or fire force, regardless of the nature of their work, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to provide for payments under the Workmen's Compensation Law by the purchase of insurance, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,000.00, or any other sum, to pay the garbage collector, with receipts from garbage collection subscribers to be restored as received by the Town Collector to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $227.60 representing prior year's bills for Veterans' Services, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Town Building Survey Committee for the purpose of making a study of the need for future Town buildings such as town hall, town library, and any other needed town buildings; and a study of possible sites for such buildings.

Said committee shall hold a public hearing at least 30 days prior to the next Annual Town Meeting and submit to such meeting its recommendations which shall contain at least two possible sites for each of the buildings it may recommend as being needed.

Said committee shall consist of one Selectman, one member of the Planning Board, and not less than three other persons, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase a bond to dissolve the attachment of the real estate in the lawsuit against certain Planning Board members as individuals, when such action may in their discretion become necessary, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to accept various deeds of easement rights to the Town recorded at the Hampden County Registry of Deeds since the date of the last Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to instruct its representatives to the General Court to vote in favor of the Home Rule proposal (H 1384 of 1963 as revised)

when it comes before them in the 1965 Legislature, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1965, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 48. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Voted unanimously that all appropriations made at this meeting unless otherwise provided for, be raised by assessment against the personal property and real estate of the Town. Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 p.m., March 15, 1965 until 8:30 a.m., Saturday, March 20, 1965 at Memorial School when the Annual Town Elections will be held, polls closing at 6:30 p.m.

Attest: DORIS G. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk*

Report of Special Town Meeting

SEPTEMBER 20, 1965

In accordance with the Warrant as posted, the voters of the Town assembled at the Minnechaug Regional High School, Wilbraham at eight o'clock in the evening.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Kenneth R. Bunten, Jr. and a quorum declared present. A recess was called until people in the hall could be seated. Meeting reopened at 8:35 p.m.

The following tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator: William J. Miller, head teller; Charles L. Merrick, Roger W. Folsom, Thomas F. Gallagher, Henry P. Bausch, and John C. Howard.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $48.75 representing prior year's bills for Veterans' Services, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, land for the location, relocation, alteration and construction of Soule Road from Stony Hill Road running easterly to Main Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by more than two-thirds majority required.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a chain of command for the Civil Defense, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously to take no action on this Article.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,100.00 representing insurance premiums from October 1, 1965 to December 31, 1965 for a plan of Group Life Insurance, Group Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance, and Group General or Blanket Hospital, Surgical and Medical Insurance for certain Town employees as authorized under Chapter 32B of the General Laws and voted for at the election of March 20, 1965, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted unanimously.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Agreement between the Towns of Wilbraham and Hampden, Massachusetts, with respect to the Formation of a Regional School District so as to include grades seven through twelve in said Regional School District. The details of the amendments being contained in a document entitled "Form of Proposed Amendments to the Agreement Between the Towns of Wilbraham and Hampden, Massachusetts, With Respect to the Formation of a Regional School District As Adopted By Each of Said Towns on October 22, 1956" as filed with the Wilbraham Board of Selectmen on February 12, 1965 and with the Wilbraham Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

In favor	223
Opposed	517

ARTICLE 6. (Conditional upon the outcome of the vote on regionalization of a junior high school, Article 5.)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the following sum for a Wilbraham Junior High School for architect's fees, preliminary plans and studies, test borings, and topography maps, for the total sum of $25,500.00, or any other sum;

And to authorize the Wilbraham Junior High School Building Committee to employ an architect and contract for the above items, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain or acquire by purchase, land of Elizabeth C. P. Bacon, on the Easterly side of Stony Hill Road, as set forth and described in Exhibit A, dated September 8, 1965 and entitled "Property of Elizabeth C. P. Bacon for School Purposes," and filed with the Town Clerk, and to appropriate the sum of $19,500.00, or any other sum, therefor; and that to meet said appropriation the sum of $508.04 be transferred from the Pines School Addition account; $14,504.64 be transferred from the Mile Tree School Building account; and $4,487.32, or any other sum be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by more than two-thirds majority required.

Voted unanimously at 11:45 p.m., on a motion duly made and seconded, to adjourn this meeting until September 21, 1965 at 8:00 p.m. at Minnechaug Regional High School.

The adjourned session of the Special Town Meeting of September 20, 1965 was called to order by Moderator Kenneth R. Bunten, Jr. at 8:00 p.m. and a quorum declared present. Gordon R. Long replaced William J. Miller, and was duly sworn by Moderator. Charles L. Merrick became head teller.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, at an agreed price or acquire by purchase, the following described parcels of land for the purpose of a Town dump and for use thereafter as a Town yard for the purposes of the Highway Department and/or other departments; and appropriate and transfer from available funds in the treasury the following sums:

a. Land in Wilbraham of Edward P. Lindsay of Wilbraham

conveyed to him by deed dated July 28, 1960 recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 2758, Page 16 and by deed dated September 14, 1959 so recorded Book 2701, Page 280 together with all of said Lindsay's rights of access to said land, to which deeds reference may be had for a more particular description.

For the sum of $8,500.00, or any other sum.

b. Land in Wilbraham of Francis O. Bready and Isabelle M. Bready of Palmer, and Edwin M. Bready and Ruth H. Bready, of Wilbraham as set forth and described in a lease between said Breadys and the Town of Wilbraham dated June 12, 1964. Said land shall include parcels designated in said lease as Parcels #1 and #3 and the right of way designated as "50' Wide Right of Way" all as shown on a plan of land entitled "Board of Selectmen, Town of Wilbraham, Plan of Property of Vicinity of Town Dump, June 1964 by C. E. Anderson Associates, Plan #1545-01." Reference may be had to said lease for a more particular description.

For the sum of $3,080.00, or any other sum.

All of the land described in a. and b. above lies Easterly of Railroad Avenue; and Northerly of Boston Road.

Voted unanimously.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to see if there is a need in the Town of Wilbraham for a Housing Authority under General Laws Chapter 121, Section 26K for the provision of housing for families or elderly persons of low income, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning of the land of Nicholas C. and Stefania Moroz in the Town of Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts located on the Southwesterly corner of Boston Road and Crane Hill Road bounded Northerly by Boston Road 569.20 feet more or less; Easterly by Crane Hill Road 260.84 feet more or less; Southerly by land now or formerly of Boston and Albany Railroad 586.60 feet more or less, and Westerly by land now or formerly of Wilbraham Realty Corporation 268.75 feet more or less from Residence District R-26 to General Business District (GB), or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority not to amend the zoning of the land

of Nicholas C. and Stefania Moroz in the Town of Wilbraham.

(⅔ vote required)

In favor	45
Opposed	102

Article 11. Whereas the Board of Water Commissioners has conditionally adopted certain rules and regulations at its meeting on September 7, 1965, entitled "Board of Water Commissioners Rules and Regulations for Extensions of Water Mains and Allocation of Installation Costs for Same," a copy of which is filed with the Town Clerk, and

Whereas these rules and regulations are not in accordance with rules adopted "as a matter of future policy" under Article 27 of the Town Meeting of March, 1959, and

Whereas the rules adopted September 7, 1965, are conditional upon a vote of the Town rescinding said rules of said Article 27;

Therefore: it is now desirable to see if the Town will vote to rescind its action taken under Article 27 of the Town Meeting of March, 1959, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and borrow the sum of $280,000.00 or any other sum under authority of Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended for the laying of water mains as set forth below, or take any other action relative thereto:

1. *Tinkham Road,* from Main Street to Stony Hill Road, a distance of 6,800 feet ±. 12 inch pipe.
2. *Tinkham Road,* from Stony Hill Road to Springfield-Wilbraham line, a distance of 4,000 feet ±. 12 inch pipe.
3. *Stony Hill Road,* from the Southerly end of the presently existing 12 inch main South to Soule Road, a distance of 10,900 feet ±. 12 inch pipe.
4. *Soule Road,* from Stony Hill Road to Main Street, a distance of 7,800 feet ±. 12 inch pipe.
5. *Main Street,* from Soule Road to Tinkham Road, a distance of 5,500 feet ±. 12 inch pipe.

Conditional upon the action taken on Article 11, betterment assessments will be charged as follows:

Abutters will be assessed for two-thirds of the cost of the water extensions and the Town will bear one third of the cost. The cost so assessed will be based on eight inch pipe,

and on a per foot frontage basis. The Town will bear the proportionate cost of Town property and the balance of the costs. Abutters may pay for their assessments over 10 years in equal installments at four percent interest.

Voted by a majority.

(2/3 vote required)

In favor	152
Opposed	14

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $2,930.00, or any other sum, for the Detailed Soils Analysis mapping and interpretive reports, to be conducted and prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service, or take any other action relative thereto.

Voted by a majority.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain at an agreed price, land on the East side of Peak Road in Wilbraham, for conservation purposes, from Robert Charles Dietz and Lora V. Dietz of Wilbraham.

Being the fourth parcel of land in deed dated June 23, 1949 to Charles Dietz, et ux recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 1997, Page 15 to which deed reference may be had for a more particular description; and to authorize payment therefor in the amount of $825.00, or any other sum, to be made from unexpended funds in the Conservation Fund. Any funds reimbursed by the Commonwealth shall be returned to available funds in the treasury.

Voted unanimously.

Voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11.45 p.m.

Attest: Mary L. Powers, *Temporary Town Clerk*

Wilbraham Town Report Committee

Miss S. Alberta Stutsman
Mrs. A. D. Becker
Wadsworth Hine
Lewis A. Shaw, *Chairman*

GOING!
GOING!
GONE.

Auto Inn, an old land mark dating back to trolley car days, finally bites the dust!

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN, ss.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Wilbraham in the County of Hampden:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilbraham qualified to vote in elections of Town Officers, to meet in Wilbraham Memorial School in said Town on Saturday, the twenty-sixth day of March, A.D., 1966 at 8:30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the election of officers of said Town, for the following offices, to wit:

To choose a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Town Collector, and a Tree Warden for the ensuing year; one Selectman for three years who shall be a member of the Board of Public Welfare and Board of Health; one Assessor for two years; one Assessor for three years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; one Library Trustee for three years; two School Committee Members for three years; one Member of the Regional School Committee for three years; one Member of the Planning Board for one year; one member of the Planning Board for five years; four Members of the Housing Authority. The polls shall open at 8:30 a.m. and shall close at 6:30 p.m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Wilbraham, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in Minnechaug Regional High School in said Town on Saturday, the nineteenth day of March, A.D., 1966 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles; viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose one Poundkeeper; two Measurers of Wood and Charcoal; two Surveyors of Lumber; three Field Drivers; two Weighers of Grain — all for the term of one year.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on reports of the Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Treasurer, and other officers or committees.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the year beginning April 1, 1966 and ending March 31, 1967.

ARTICLE 3. Recommend that compensation for elected Town Officers be fixed as follows: Town Clerk, $2,860.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Town Treasurer, $2,860.00 per year; Moderator, $50.00 Annual Town Meeting, $15.00 Special Town Meeting; Town Collector, $4,680.00 per year (all fees to revert to the Town Treasury); Tree Warden, $2.25 per hour ($2.00 per hour for use of truck when needed); Selectmen, 2 members $600.00 per year, Chairman, $650.00; Assessors, $1.75 per hour; Constables, $1.50 per hour when called on duty by Selectmen, plus fees; School Committee, no salary; Cemetery Commissioners, no salary, $1.50 per hour for time spent at work; Water Commissioners, $150.00 per year; Library Trustees, no salary; Planning Board Members, no salary; Poundkeeper, Field Drivers, Weighers of Grain, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Charcoal (all Town Officers elected otherwise than by official ballot) fees only as fixed by General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Tax of 1965.

ARTICLE 4. Recommend $1,393.97 be added to the Library Appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee together with the appropriations recommended by them and to raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for defraying the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year and appropriate the same and vote how the same shall be raised. (See pages 110 to 120 inclusive.)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,846.75 for Library purposes, or take any other action relative thereto.

This sum representing the Grant received from the State for Library purposes.

ARTICLE 6. Recommend $1,846.75 be added to Library Appropriation.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $5,500.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a Backhoe for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. Recommended.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $675.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a Snow Plow for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. Recommended.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $2,500.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a vehicle for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. Recommended.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of two (2) cruisers for the use of the Wilbraham Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

This sum represents the net cost to the Town after deducting the trade-in value of the present cruisers.

ARTICLE 10. Recommended.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, the sum of $15,000.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a Fire Engine for the use of the Fire Department, and for necessary accessories and emergency equipment, and to authorize the Fire Commissioners to dispose of the Reo or salvage it in the best interest of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. Recommended.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction, and that in addition the sum of $19,500.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. Recommended.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,502.00 to meet the Town's share of the

cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance and that in addition the sum of $5,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. Recommended.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,377.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway work, and that in addition the sum of $18,425.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored, upon its receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. Recommended.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,140.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of installing a drainage system in Ridge Road to run southerly from the vicinity of Cone Trail, a distance of 700 feet, more or less; and northerly from the vicinity of Cadwell Drive, a distance of 350 feet, more or less, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. Recommended.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide the sum of $170,000.00, or any other sum, for the reconstruction of the road and installation of drainage on Tinkham Road from Main Street running westerly to Stony Hill Road for a distance of 7,300 feet, more or less, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain drainage easements where necessary; and that to meet said appropriation the sum of $12,750.00 be transferred from the Resurface Tinkham Road Appropriation; $32,000.00 to be transferred from Drainage — Tinkham Road Appropriation; that the sum of $25,250.00 be raised by taxation and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of $100,000.00 under authority of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and issue notes of the Town therefor so that the whole

loan shall be paid in one year from the date of issue of the first note, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. Recommended.

Article 17. (Conditional upon the outcome of the vote on the reconstruction of Tinkham Road, Article 16.)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $16,500.00, or any other sum, to repair the road where the water main is to be installed on Tinkham Road for a distance of 11,000 feet, more or less, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. Recommended.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $48,692.00, or any other sum, for the reconstruction and drainage of Soule Road from Stony Hill Road easterly, a distance of 1500 feet, more or less; and from Loring Road to Woodland Road, a distance of 1600 feet, more or less; and that to meet said appropriation the sum of $8,891.23 be transferred from the Soule Road Alterations Account, and that the sum of $39,800.77, or any other sum, be raised from taxation, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. Recommended.

Article 19. (Conditional upon the outcome of the vote on the reconstruction of Soule Road, Article 18.)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,300.00, or any other sum, to repair the road where the water main is to be installed on Soule Road for a distance of 7710 feet, more or less, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. Recommended.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $5,460.00, or any other sum, to pay the garbage collector, with receipts from garbage collection subscribers to be restored as received by the Town Collector to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. Recommended.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,000.00, or any other sum, to install an 8-inch

water main on Meadow View Road, from Soule Road to Pleasant View Road, a distance of 200 feet ±; and on Pleasant View Road from Meadow View Road to Tall Timber Drive, a distance of 1300 feet ±, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21. Recommended.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Pearl Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, and that the sum of $8,300.00, or any other sum, be raised and appropriated for the construction of said Pearl Drive, and that betterment assessments be levied in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. Recommended.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,000.00, or any other sum, for the Conservation Fund, to be used by the Conservation Commission with the approval of the Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. Recommended.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to approve the purchase of the Lesco Corporation property of 46 acres ± on Peak Road as set forth and described in deed dated October 21, 1955 from Thyra V. Calkins to said Lesco Corporation recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 2426, Page 503, for Conservation purposes for $8,000.00, to be transferred from the Conservation Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. Recommended.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws from "Neighborhood Shopping District," parking only, to "Neighborhood Office District," land located on the Westerly side of Main Street in said Wilbraham and being numbered 455 to 457 Main Street with a frontage on Main Street of 156.75 feet as more particularly bounded and described in a deed from Everett W. Graham, et al to Maitland K. Shults, et al dated May 21, 1958 and recorded in the Hampden County

Registry of Deeds Book 2608, Page 329, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. Not recommended.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to provide transportation for all children who live over a mile away from school, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to pass a restraining order to prohibit dogs from running at large in the Town and to provide for the enforcement thereof as set forth in General Laws, Chapter 140, Sections 167, 168 and 169, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following By-Law: No person shall operate a motor boat or a boat propelled by an outboard motor on any lake or pond within the Town of Wilbraham, except at a safe and reasonable speed at all times, and no person shall operate a motor boat with open throttle within one hundred and fifty feet of the shore of any such lake or pond. A speed in excess of ten miles per hour shall be prima facie evidence of unsafe operation. Violations of this by-law shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than twenty dollars, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws entitled "Personnel Program" dated February 10, 1964 and filed with the Town Clerk, as set forth in "Amendments to the Personnel Program" dated February 10, 1966 and filed with the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to extend the term of office of the Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Town Collector, and Tree Warden to three years, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee to put the recommendations of the Study Committee on Town Government Administration into specific operating form and to recommend specific limitations as well as the extent of authority and scope of duties and obligations of: (1) A Board of Public Works; (2) A Commission of Public Safety; and to report to the next Annual Town Meet-

ing for a vote thereon; and to raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00, or any other sum, for expenses for said Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. Recommended.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will approve and authorize a Town Agent whose function it shall be: (1) to stay abreast of various Federal and/or State aid programs; (2) to ascertain which of these programs are applicable to this Town; (3) to advise the Board of Selectmen of procedures to be followed in applying for such aid; (4) to process correctly those applications which are prepared and submitted in the behalf of the town; (5) to institute and maintain whatever follow-up actions are required. An agent employed for the functions of this duty will be appointed by the Board of Selectmen on a voluntary basis. As the work load increases for such agent, consideration will be given to a remunerative classification, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws from "Residence District R-15" to "General Business District" land in Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts bounded and described as follows: Northeasterly by Stony Hill Road; Easterly by Stony Hill Road; Southerly by Acton Street and Westerly by the Springfield-Wilbraham town line, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept a deed of land from the Trustees of the Wilbraham Library Foundation under agreement of trust dated November 30, 1962, as amended, for the purposes of a site for a public library, municipal office building, wooded or garden park and parking and other uses incidental thereto and subject to the restrictions, conditions and obligations as set forth in a deed dated December 21, 1965 to said Trustees recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 3162, Page 648, to which deed reference may be had for a description of the land which lies in the vicinity of Crane Park Drive and Woodland Dell Road, Wilbraham as shown on a plan recorded with said deed to said trustees, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,000.00, or any other sum, for consultants fees, preliminary plans and architects fees for a new library building. Said appropriation to be conditional upon prior approval of a Federal or State grant for said purpose. Federal and/or State contributions to be restored upon receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 35. Recommended.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Trustees of the Public Library to apply for a grant of Federal funds, under "Title II, Library Services and Construction Act, Public Law 88-269," for construction of a new public library in Wilbraham, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Wilbraham, 1964 Revision by deleting sections 7.4.1, 7.4.3, 7.4.3.1, 7.4.3.2, 7.4.6.1 and 7.4.7 and substituting therefor the following sections; and by adding the following section 7.4.8, or take any other action relative thereto.

7.4.1 Except as otherwise provided in this section, there shall be no removal from the premises in any district of earth, loam, sand, gravel, clay or quarry stone except as follows:

7.4.1.1 The Board of Appeals may issue permits for the removal of surplus material resulting from bona fide construction on one lot for a residence and accessory buildings, driveways and walks without a public hearing.

7.4.1.2 The Board of Appeals may, after a public hearing, issue permits for the removal of surplus material resulting from other bona fide construction, landscape or agricultural operation being executed on the premises, provided that no permanent damage is done to the landscape.

7.4.2 In connection with 7.4.1 above, the Board of Appeals shall impose the conditions set forth in Section 7.4.3.1 through 7.4.7 where appropriate and such others which are necessary for the protection of the health,

safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Town.

(Two section 7.4.3 proposals appear below, that marked (FIRST) is by petition and that marked (SECOND) is by the Planning Board. It is proposed that one or the other be adopted.)

(FIRST)

7.4.3 The Board of Appeals may, after a public hearing *and a report by the Conservation Commission,* permit the removal of sand, gravel, clay or quarry stone in any zone (*but not a Residence District except as may be permitted in 7.4.1*) under the following conditions:

(SECOND)

7.4.3 The Board of Appeals may, after a public hearing *and a report by the Conservation Commission,* permit the removal of earth, loam, sand, gravel, clay or quarry stone in any zone under the following conditions:

7.4.3.1 The applicant shall submit a plan prepared by a *registered professional engineer or land surveyor.* This plan must show existing grades on the parcel of land from which the above material is to be removed, and essential grades on abutting parcels of land, together with proposed grades at the conclusion of the operation.

7.4.3.2 The plan shall provide for proper drainage of the area during the period of operation and after completion. In residence districts, every slope or bank above or below natural grade must be prepared at the end of each working day so that it does not exceed one foot of vertical distance in each two feet of horizontal distance. In other districts, on completion of the operation, no bank shall exceed a slope of one of vertical distance in each two feet of horizontal distance.

7.4.6.1 The Board of Appeals shall impose such additional conditions as may in its sole judgment be for the protection of health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the Town. Such conditions may include restrictions on use of roads and routing of vehicles; hours of operation; storage of operating equipment; restrictions on impoundment of water and slopes of banks;

minimum distance of the operation from any residential lot line; and fences and other safety measures required during the period of operation.

7.4.7 The Town Engineer or other agent designated by the Board of Appeals shall inspect each operation at least once a month and report on his inspection to the Board of Appeals. The costs to the Town of such inspections shall be billed to and paid for by the holder of the permit.

Penalty for violation of the conditions of the permit shall be as follows: for the first offense, fifty dollars; for the second offense, one hundred dollars; and for each subsequent offense, two hundred dollars; recoverable as provided in Chapter 40, Section 21 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Any violation shall be cause for the Board of Appeals to revoke a permit at its sole discretion.

7.4.8 Such permits shall be issued for a period of one year. A public hearing shall be held before a permit is renewed by the Board of Appeals.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $500.00, or any other sum, to be expended by the Wilbraham Housing Authority for its incidental expenses, the same to be restored to unappropriated available funds in the treasury upon the availability of other funds to said Authority, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 38. Recommended.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $30,000.00, or any other sum, for a Reserve Fund; $10,000.00 to be raised by taxation and $20,000.00 to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 39. Recommended.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 40. Recommend $30,000.00 be transferred from available funds and $70,000.00 be raised from taxation.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $17,000.00, or any other sum, to be spent by the Water Department for additional household and business installations for water service, the cost of which is to be collected by the Town from the individuals or concerns requesting installations, to be restored upon receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 41. Recommended.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Gary Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Ronald Circle, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Raymond Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Ruth Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Rochford Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Longview Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Northwood Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Cooley Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Fernwood Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way now known as Rice Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen on February 15, 1966 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take said way by eminent domain, no appropriation being necessary therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a by-law entitled "Emergency Continuity of Government Succession By-Law" dated February 14, 1966 as filed with the Town Clerk, to provide for interim successors to the powers and duties of certain Town officers and Boards in case of emergency, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue for the financial years begin-

ning January 1, 1966 and January 1, 1967, in accordance with provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 54. To see if the Town will vote to accept various deeds of easement rights to the Town recorded at the Hampden County Registry of Deeds since the date of the last Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 55. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to institute or defend suits and employ counsel for the purpose of protecting the interests of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 56. To transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Post Office at North Wilbraham, one at the Post Office at Wilbraham, and one at Glendale Church, seven days at least, before the time for holding said election and meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time for holding said election and meeting.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-six.

EDWARD H. GODFREY, *Chairman*
WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR.
WILLIAM E. LEONARD
Selectmen of Wilbraham

Finance Committee Report

We have seen over the years since World War II a steady population growth in Wilbraham. This fact, coupled with the need and desire of the citizens for more and better services, has resulted in a steady increase in the cost of operating our town government — 1966 will be no exception.

It has been necessary for your Finance Committee to examine and study closely all department budget requests and the financial implications of all special articles requiring the appropriation of funds. We have also evaluated carefully all other articles in

the town warrant which by their passage will mean in the future the expenditure of town funds. The appointment several years ago of Mr. J. A. Reilly as Town Accountant has made the above study and evaluation possible for without his efforts, it would have been most difficult if not impossible to give the same careful analysis to all the various requests.

For your study and ease in evaluating our recommendations for appropriations for 1966, the following summary compares these recommendations with those for 1965:

ANALYSIS OF 1965 APPROPRIATIONS AND RECOMMENDED 1966 BUDGET

ARTICLE 5:	1966 Budget	1965 Appropriations	Increase (Decrease)	Increase (Decrease)
General Government	$103,471	$73,208	$30,263	41.3 %
Public Safety	134,577	119,508	15,069	12.6 %
Health and Sanitation	18,261	17,821	440	2.5 %
Highways	83,493	81,300	2,192	2.7 %
Charities	47,450	50,080	(2,630)	(5.5) %
Veterans' Services	9,500	9,455	45	.5 %
Schools				
Local	946,578	828,867	117,711	14.2 %
Regional	546,550	543,145	3,405	.6 %
Public Library	31,443	28,718	2,725	9.5 %
Recreation and Celebrations	20,295	13,350	6,945	52.0 %
Pensions	18,506	15,602	2,904	18.6 %
Unclassified	30,050	15,819	14,231	90.0 %
Water Department	30,855	30,200	655	2.2 %
Cemeteries	2,100	2,150	(50)	(2.4) %
Debt and Interest	152,008	154,430	(2,422)	(1.6) %
Total Article 5	2,175,137	1,983,653	191,484	8.2 %
Special Articles	512,364	361,248	151,116	6.4 %
Totals	$2,687,501	$2,344,901		
1966 Budget Increase over 1965 Appropriations			342,600	14.6 %

SOURCES OF FUNDS

	1966	1965	Increase
To be raised by tax levy	$2,389,759	$2,189,075	$200,684
To be raised from Available Funds	297,742	155,826	141,916
Totals	$2,687,501	$2,344,901	$342,600

Public Schools

It is apparent from this summary that the largest increase is for the support of our local schools, whereas the Regional School

assessment to Wilbraham shows a very slight change from last year. This increase in the local school budget is due primarily to the increase in the teachers salaries category. Because of the rapid increase in our school population, this budget reflects the addition of 6 more teachers as well as the annual increment which each teacher receives automatically under the teacher salary schedule. Also affecting this appropriation is that available Federal funds to apply toward the money needs of our school system are down $37,000 from the amount available last year. It is our feeling that these increases are necessary and unavoidable.

General Government

The next largest increase is the cost of general government. This change is due primarily to the establishment of a Town Engineering Department. This department will fill a growing need for engineering services for many town departments; thus eliminating much of our use of outside engineers and permitting the performance of many functions in this area which have been bypassed but which should be carried out as soon as possible.

Public Safety

This increase results from the need for one additional man in the Police Department plus additional clerical help. It is felt that these additions are warranted.

Recreation and Celebrations

This increase is due to the request for the establishment of a new Teen-Age Center and the operation by the town of the Little League Program. The baseball diamonds must be regraded in connection with the Little League Program. All of these requests were studied and found to be desirable.

Unclassified

This increase results from the vote on the 1965 ballot to install a group life, health, accident insurance program for all Town employees. This is a necessary fringe benefit which these people are certainly entitled to have provided by the town.

Special Articles

The $150,000 increase in requested appropriations in this category is due primarily to the immediate need for the reconstruction of Soule and Tinkham Roads. Because of the planned 1966

water main and drainage construction, to defer the necessary work on these roads would be both costly and create hazardous road conditions. By doing this work this year, we will avoid the necessity of doing temporary construction in 1966 and then tearing up this temporary construction during 1967; therefore, we recommend borrowing $100,000 of the total appropriation for one year. This will result in spreading the cost over two tax years but will eliminate the duplication of work, thus resulting in cost savings and maximum efficiency.

Once again we ask for your support of the article to add $100,000 to our stabilization fund. This has proven over the years to be sound financing and has saved many thousands of dollars in interest by allowing us to finance school construction over a five-year period rather than twenty.

Contributing to the financial problems of all communities in the State of Massachusetts is the failure of our State Legislature to pass a tax bill or a state budget during 1965. The result for Wilbraham has been a decrease of $75,400 in available funds. This sum had been allotted by the Commonwealth for payment to us during 1965. We have had assurance that these funds will be paid during 1966, but this cannot correct the 1965 available funds picture.

If the recommendations of the Finance Committee are accepted at the March Annual Town Meeting, we feel that we can hold the tax rate to a modest increase.

Aldo Alberici, *Chairman*
Fred T. Googins
Herman G. Grandchamp
Roger T. Hintze
Albert H. Howes
Stanley E. Kogut
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ARTICLE 5 APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED

	1965 Appropriations As Modified	1965 Expended	1966 Budget	1966 Recommended Totals
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Selectmen, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$8,898.00	$8,673.26	$8,567.00	
Expense	1,635.00	1,630.77	2,145.00	
Total	$10,533.00	$10,304.03		$10,712.00
Out-of-State Travel	75.00	10.96		38.00
Town Accountant				
Salaries and Wages	$9,171.00	$9,171.00	$11,900.00	
Expense	297.00	292.50	290.00	
Total	$9,468.00	$9,463.50		12,190.00
Town Treasurer				
Salaries and Wages	$5,223.00	$5,170.42	$5,298.00	
Expense	947.00	888.88	1,961.00	
Total	$6,170.00	$6,059.30		7,259.00
Town Collector				
Salaries and Wages	$8,556.00	$8,555.24	$8,516.00	
Expense	1,328.00	1,274.17	1,382.00	
Total	$9,884.00	$9,829.41		9.898.00
Assessors, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$9,975.00	$9,370.21	$10,281.00	
Expense	1,690.00	1,583.19	2,141.00	
Total	$11,665.00	$10,953.40		12,422.00
Town Clerk				
Salaries and Wages	$4,926.00	$4,897.96	$5,333.00	
Expense	269.00	259.58	339.00	
Total	$5,195.00	$5,157.54		5,672.00
Town Counsel				
Salaries and Wages	$3,225.00	$3,225.00	$3,300.00	
Expense	3,397.81	3,397.81	3,700.00	
Total	$6,622.81	$6,622.81		7,000.00
Town Engineer				
Salaries and Wages	See Highway Department		$17,480.00	
Expense			4,161.00	
Total				21,641.00
Election and Town Meeting				
Salaries and Wages	$750.00	$706.54	$1,850.00	
Expense	908.00	516.68	848.00	
Total	$1,658.00	$1,223.22		2,698.00

	1965 Appropriations As Modified	1965 Expended	1966 Budget	1966 Recommended Totals
Registrar of Voters				
Salaries and Wages	$770.00	$518.10	$990.00	
Expense	300.00	275.30	295.00	
Total	$1,070.00	$793.40		$1,285.00
Planning Board				
Salaries and Wages	$2,689.00	$2,689.00	$1,891.00	
Expense	2,708.63	1,714.79	2,385.00	
Total	$5,397.63	$4,403.79		4,276.00
Appeals, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$750.00	$746.66	$1,130.00	
Expense	189.00	172.35	273.00	
Total	$939.00	$919.01		1,403.00
Town Office and Bldg. Maint.				
Salaries and Wages	$1,664.00	$1,537.22	$1,784.00	
Expense	5,075.00	4,441.48	5,193.00	
Total	$6,739.00	$5,978.70		6,977.00
Total Gen. Government	$75,416.44	$71,719.07		$103,471.00
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Police Department				
Salaries and Wages	$42,668.00	$41,973.15	$52,983.00	
Expense	6,290.00	5,554.70	7,010.00	
Total	$48,958.00	$47,527.85		$59,993.00
Out-of-State Travel				300.00
Fire Department				
Salaries and Wages	$45,413.00	$45,074.15	$45,539.00	
Expense	7,372.00	6,407.69	6,992.00	
Total	$52,785.00	$51,481.84		52,531.00
Pest Control				
Salaries and Wages	$862.00	$861.90	$900.00	
Expense	938.00	937.42	900.00	
Total	$1,800.00	$1,799.32		1,800.00
Dutch Elm Treatment				
Salaries and Wages	$2,344.00	$2,343.25	$2,450.00	
Expense	1,156.00	1,155.92	1,550.00	
Total	$3,500.00	$3,499.17		4,000.00

	1965 Appropriations As Modified	1965 Expended	1966 Budget	1966 Recommended Totals
Forest Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$500.00	$480.00	$500.00	
Expense	400.00	379.80	400.00	
Total	$900.00	$859.80		$900.00
Tree Warden				
Salaries and Wages	$2,790.00	$2,789.55	$3,200.00	
Expense	2,910.00	2,909.98	3,650.00	
Total	$5,700.00	$5,699.53		6,850.00
Civil Defense				
Salaries and Wages	$420.00	$420.00	$428.00	
Expense	681.93	665.91	1,850.00	
Total	$1,101.93	$1,085.91		2,278.00
Dog Officer				
Salaries and Wages	$150.00	$150.00	$485.00	
Expense			275.00	
Total	$150.00	$150.00		760.00
Building Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$2,600.00	$2,550.00	$2,600.00	
Expense	675.00	651.75	675.00	
Total	$3,275.00	$3,201.75		3,275.00
Wiring Inspector				
Salaries and Wages	$840.00	$840.00	$840.00	
Expense	650.00	619.80	650.00	
Total	$1,490.00	$1,459.80		1,490.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures				
Salaries and Wages	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00	
Expense	50.00	27.57	25.00	
Total	$350.00	$327.57		325.00
Total Public Safety	$120,009.93	$117,092.54		$134,502.00
HEALTH AND SANITATION				
Health, Board of				
Salaries and Wages	$6,962.00	$6,961.94	$7,186.00	
Expense	9,039.00	7,473.49	7,960.00	
Total	$16,001.00	$14,435.43		$15,146.00
Mosquito Control				
Salaries and Wages	$350.00	$89.60	$350.00	
Expense	2,650.00	1,194.52	2,650.00	
Total	$3,000.00	$1,284.12		3,000.00

	1965 Appropriations As Modified	1965 Expended	1966 Budget	1966 Recommended Totals
Inspector of Animals				
Salaries and Wages	$65.00	$65.00		$65.00
Inspector of Slaughtering				
Salaries and Wages	$50.00	$50.00		50.00
Total Health and Sanitation	$19,116.00	$15,834.55		$18,261.00
HIGHWAYS				
Salaries and Wages	$31,740.00	$26,331.19	$33,123.00	
Expense	32,577.05	27,586.11	28,870.00	
Total	$64,317.05	$53,917.30*		$61,993.00
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.	$8,000.00	$7,713.91		8,000.00
Street Lights	11,300.00	10,525.81		13,500.00
Total Highways	$83,617.05	$72,157.02		$83,493.00
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE				
Department of Public Welfare				
Administration	$2,080.00	$2,080.00	$2,450.00	
Aid				
General Relief	4,008.00	1,522.17	2,000.00	
Old Age Assistance	27,045.05	27,045.05	26,000.00	
Aid to Dep. Children	12,133.20	9,754.99	12,000.00	
Disability Assistance	5,000.00	4,883.22	5,000.00	
Total Public Assistance	$50,266.25	$45,285.43		$47,450.00
VETERANS' SERVICES				
Salaries and Wages	$765.00	$764.10	$820.00	
Expense	50.00	27.00	50.00	
Aid	8,640.00	7,298.36	8,630.00	
Total Veterans' Services	$9,455.00	$8,089.46		$9,500.00
SCHOOLS				
Local				
Salaries and Wages	$662,092.00	$655,791.24	$755,731.00	
Expense	166,696.65	172,997.23	190,767.00	
Total Local	$828,788.65	$828,788.47		$946,498.00
Out-of-State Travel	80.00			80.00
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional	543,144.96	543,144.96		546,550.00
Total Schools	$1,372,013.61	$1,371,933.43		$1,493,128.00

* Includes $10,311.64 Town Engineering Department

	1965 Appropriations As Modified	1965 Expended	1966 Budget	1966 Recommended Totals
PUBLIC LIBRARY				
Salaries and Wages	$20,456.00	$20,265.11	$23,487.00	
Expense	11,503.45	10,709.51	7,896.00	
Total Public Library	$31,959.45	$30,974.62		$31,383.00
Out of State Travel				60.00
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS				
Parks				
Salaries and Wages	$514.00	$512.92	$450.00	
Expense	236.00	235.50	400.00	
Total	$750.00	$748.42		$850.00
Playgrounds				
Salaries and Wages	$4,170.00	$3,905.82	$5,220.00	
Expense	1,750.00	1,701.86	4,150.00	
Total	$5,920.00	$5,607.68		9,370.00
Recreation Commission				3,395.00
Community Program	$6,480.00	$6,450.58		6,480.00
Memorial and Independence Days	200.00	126.51		200.00
Total Recreation and Celebrations	$13,350.00	$12,933.19		$20,295.00
PENSIONS				
Assessment — Hampden County Retirement System	$15,602.20	$15,602.20		$18,506.26
UNCLASSIFIED				
Printing Town Reports	$4,000.00	$3,497.28	$4,000.00	
Industrial Development	100.00		100.00	
Aid to Agriculture	200.00	200.00	75.00	
Insurance and Bonding	10,399.00	10,340.97	11,100.00	
Employees Group Insurance	6,171.00	4,907.44	14,600.00	
Conservation Commission	120.00	115.10	250.00	
Conservation Fund	2,325.00	825.00		
Total Unclassified	$23,315.00	$19,885.79		$30,125.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE				
Water Dept. — Maintenance				
Salaries and Wages	$11,100.00	$11,092.41	$11,225.00	
Expense	19,100.00	18,656.75	19,630.00	
Total Public Serv. Enter.	$30,200.00	$29,749.16		$30,855.00

	1965 Appropriations As Modified	1965 Expended	1966 Budget	1966 Recommended Totals
CEMETERIES				
Salaries and Wages	$1,200.00	$933.40	$1,400.00	
Expense	950.00	844.18	700.00	
Total Cemeteries	$2,150.00	$1,777.58		$2,100.00
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST				
Maturing Debt				
School Bonds	$130,000.00	$130,000.00	$130,000.00	
Water Bonds	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Maturing Interest				
School Bonds	$15,927.50	$15,927.50	$12,960.00	
Water Bonds	1,102.50	1,102.50	997.50	
Temporary Loan Interest	$3,067.46	$3,029.53	$3,050.00	
Total Mat. Debt & Int.	$155,097.46	$155,059.53		$152,007.50
Total Article 5	$2,001,568.39	$1,968,093.57		$2,175,136.76

We also recommend appropriations under some Articles in the Warrant as follows:

		From Available Funds	From Tax Levy	1966 Recommended Totals
Article 4	Library	$1,393.97		$1,393.97
Article 6	Library	1,846.75		1,846.75
Article 7	Highway Dept. — Backhoe	5,500.00		5,500.00
Article 8	Highway Dept. — Snow plow	675.00		675.00
Article 9	Highway Dept. — Vehicle	2,500.00		2,500.00
Article 10	Two Police Cruisers		$3,000.00	3,000.00
Article 11	Fire Engine		15,000.00	15,000.00
Article 12	Chapter 90 — Highway Const.	19,500.00	6,502.00	26,002.00
Article 13	Chapter 90 — Highway Maint.	5,000.00	2,502.00	7,502.00
Article 14	Chapter 81 — Highway Work	18,425.00	8,377.00	26,802.00
Article 15	Drainage — Ridge Road		8,140.00	8,140.00
Article 16	Reconstruction — Tinkham Road	100,000.00 32,000.00 12,750.00	25,250.00	170,000.00
Article 18	Reconstruction — Soule Road	8,891.23	39,800.77	48,692.00
Article 20	Garbage Collection	5,460.00		5,460.00
Article 21	8″ Water Main		8,000.00	8,000.00
Article 22	Construction — Pearl Drive	8,300.00		8,300.00
Article 23	Conservation Fund		12,000.00	12,000.00
Article 24	Land Purchase — Consv. Fund	8,000.00		
Article 31	Municipal Govt. Committee		50.00	50.00
Article 35	Library Plans — Consult. Fees		6,000.00	6,000.00
Article 38	Housing Authority	500.00		500.00
Article 39	Reserve Fund	20,000.00	10,000.00	30,000.00
Article 40	Stabilization Fund	30,000.00	70,000.00	100,000.00
Article 41	Water Installations	17,000.00		17,000.00
		$297,741.95	$214,621.77	
Total Special Articles				$512,363.72
Article 5				2,175,136.76
Total Recommendations				$2,687,500.48

SUMMARY

Appropriations recommended to be raised by taxation	$2,389,758.53
Appropriations recommended from available funds	297,741.95
	$2,687,500.48

NOTE: If Articles 16 and 18 are rejected, we recommend approval of the following articles to be raised from the tax levy.

Article 17	Patching — Tinkham Road	$16,500.00
Article 19	Patching — Soule Road	$9,300.00

Financial Statements

1965

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Certificate

I hereby certify that in compliance with Section 50 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws I have examined the books and accounts, all original bills and vouchers, and verified all cash balances. All accounts were found correct. I further certify that in compliance with Section 53 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws I have audited the accounts of all trust funds and found them correct.

JOSEPH A. REILLY, *Town Accountant*

Town of Wilbraham

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1965

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		
Cash:		
General		$368,973.41
Petty		145.00
Taxes Receivable:		
Levy of 1964:		
Personal Property	$14.70	
Real Estate	8,650.67	8,665.37
Levy of 1965:		
Personal Property	$2,481.14	
Real Estate	62,456.23	64,937.37
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1964	$951.07	
Levy of 1965	12,052.71	13,003.78
Accounts Receivable		15,594.43
Tax Titles		6,608.71
Aid to Highways:		
State	$23,120.25	
County	9,000.00	32,120.25
Dog Officer's Fees		289.00
Loans Authorized:		
Water Bonds		280,000.00
Overlay Deficits:		
Levy of 1963	$175.08	
Levy of 1965	1,580.47	1,755.55

Liabilities and Reserves		
Trust:		
Unclaimed Checks	$135.09	
Himes Family Burial Lot	73.16	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	29.07	$237.32
Water Guarantee Deposits		85.00
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$1,912.83	
Aid to Dependent Children	3,228.52	
Old Age Assistance	2,043.28	
Medical Aid for Aged	845.26	
School:		
Public Law 81-874	22,614.24	
Public Law 85-864	1,541.29	32,185.42
Unallocated Welfare Recoveries:		
Aid to Dependent Children	$545.00	
Old Age Assistance	560.00	1,105.00
Revolving Fund:		
School Lunch Program		3,376.31
Appropriation Balances		123,416.68
Loans Authorized and Unissued		280,000.00
Reserved for Appropriation:		
Road Machinery Fund	$10,467.94	
State Aid for Libraries	1,846.75	12,314.69
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		26,420.29
Overlay Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1964		2,200.98
Reserves for Uncollected Accounts:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$13,003.78	
Accounts Receivable	15,594.43	
Tax Titles	6,608.71	
Highway Aid	32,120.25	67,327.17

			Reserve for Petty Cash		145.00
			Overestimates 1965:		
			State Recreation Areas	$399.89	
			County Tax	2,546.73	2,946.62
			Surplus Revenue		240,332.39
		$792,092.87			$792,092.87

DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Assessments Not Due:			Apportioned Street Assessments Revenue:		
Street		$2,320.00	Due 1966 to 1983, Inclusive		$2,320.00

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded Debt:			Inside Debt Limit:		
Inside Debt Limit		$125,000.00	School Addition Loan		$125,000.00
Outside Debt Limit:			Outside Debt Limit:		
General	$440,000.00		General:		
Water	50,000.00	490,000.00	Memorial School Loan	$60,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1957	240,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1961	40,000.00	
			School Project Loan — 1963	100,000.00	
			Water Loan — 1955	50,000.00	490,000.00
		$615,000.00			$615,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:			In Custody of Treasurer:	
Cash and Securities:			Stabilization Fund	$320,792.99
In Custody of Treasurer		$343,414.98	Charity Funds	353.42
In Custody of Trustees		204.53	School Funds	2,708.12
			Library Funds	1,750.37
			Cemetery Care Funds	16,447.65
			Soldiers' Monument Park Fund	1,301.64
			Civil War Memorial Plaque Fund	60.79
			In Custody of Probate Court:	
			Himes Family Burial Lot Fund	204.53
		$343,619.51		$343,619.51

Statement of Surplus Revenue

ANALYSIS OF CHANGES — YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1965

Balance January 1, 1965		$325,946.89
Add:		
Highway Aid — State	$34,094.03	
Highway Aid — County	2,500.00	
Tax Titles Redeemed	4,484.70	
Tax Titles Disclaimed	19.60	
Appropriation Balances	65,328.83	106,427.16
		$432,374.05
Deduct:		
Appropriations — March 13, 1965	$133,258.60	
Appropriations — September 20, 1965	50,646.07	
Tax Titles Taken	2,550.65	
Taxes 1965 — Added to tax titles	2,126.69	
Deficit — Estimated Receipts	3,459.65	192,041.66
Balance December 31, 1965		$240,332.39

Recapitulation of Estimated Receipts — 1965

	Assessors' Estimate	*Received*	*Excess (Deficiency)*
Income Tax	$148,467.27	$154,872.73	$6,405.46
Corporation Tax	65,102.61	73,331.48	8,228.87
Lieu of Taxes	1,404.40	1,890.40	486.00
Meals Tax	2,327.46	2,327.46	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	254,000.00	259,693.55	5,693.55
Licenses	7,200.00	10,917.50	3,717.50
Permits	6,500.00	7,738.00	1,238.00
Fines	800.00	1,410.00	610.00
Special Assessments	1,800.00	1,776.30	(23.70)
General Government	3,500.00	3,674.80	174.80
Public Safety	1,200.00	2,984.53	1,784.53
Health and Sanitation	7,000.00	7,611.35	611.35
Charities	20,000.00	18,556.99	(1,443.01)
Old Age Assistance	9,600.00	8,888.02	(711.98)
Veterans' Services	1,900.00	6,398.57	4,498.57
Schools	55,270.20	49,362.19	(5,845.01)
Library	900.00	1,003.79	103.79
Recreation		237.55	237.55
Water	91,000.00	92,793.17	1,793.17
Interest on Taxes	3,150.00	3,149.39	(.61)
Interest on Savings	2,550.00	2,762.00	212.00
School Construction Grants	107,314.08	72,514.08	(34,800.00)
Farm Animal Excise	100.00	98.50	(1.50)
Miscellaneous		930.82	930.82
Sale — Town Histories		2,640.20	2,640.20
	$791,023.02	$787,563.37	$(3,459.65)

Town of Wilbraham

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS — YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1965

TAXES — LOCAL:			
Current Year's Levy:			
Real Estate	$1,328,924.73		
Personal Property	59,457.72	$1,388,382.45	
Prior Year's Levies:			
Real Estate	$68,122.69		
Personal Property	2,143.72	70,266.41	
Other Local Taxes:			
Motor Vehicle Excise	$271,487.50		
Farm Animal Excise	98.50	271,586.00	
Total Taxes — Local			$1,730,234.86
STATE SHARED TAXES:			
Income Tax:			
Valuation basis	$25,665.67		
Education basis	129,207.06	$154,872.73	
Corporation Tax		73,331.48	
Lieu of Taxes		1,890.40	
Total State Shared Taxes			230,094.61
LICENSES:			
Alcoholic Beverages		$10,175.00	
All other		742.50	
Total Licenses			10,917.50
PERMITS:			
Marriage		$168.00	
Building		2,395.00	
Electrical		1,643.00	
Gas		685.00	
Plumbing		2,025.00	
Disposal		705.00	
Pistol		136.00	
Gasoline Storage		8.50	
Total Permits			7,765.50
FINES — COURT			1,410.00
GRANTS:			
Federal:			
Old Age Assistance	$15,568.94		
Aid to Families with Dep. Children	9,625.00		
Disability Assistance	3,474.00		
Medical Aid for Aged	11,737.26		
Welfare Recoveries	351.89		
School Aid Public Law 874	11,381.00		
School Aid Public Law 864	1,579.00	53,717.09	

State:			
Meals Tax (OAA)	$2,327.46		
Vocational Education	6,613.75		
School Construction	72,514.08		
Highway Chapter 81	17,036.95		
Library Aid	1,846.75	100,338.99	
County:			
Dog Fund		1,220.77	
Total Grants			155,276.85
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:			
Street Betterments:			
Unapportioned		$962.91	
Committed		412.27	
Paid in Advance		277.00	
Total Special Assessments			1,652.18
FEES FOR CURRENT SERVICES:			
General Government:			
Collector's Fees	$1,481.00		
Town Clerk's Fees	1,390.20		
Municipal Liens	184.00		
Planning Board	211.00		
Board of Appeals	330.00		
State Taxes — Employer's Share	79.60	$3,675.80	
Public Safety:			
Accident Reports	$438.00		
Ambulance Service	1,670.00		
Tree Warden	713.63		
Sealer of Weights and Measures	177.90	2,999.53	
Health and Sanitation:			
Garbage Collection	$7,443.60		
State Reimbursement	204.00	7,647.60	
Highways:			
Road Machinery Earnings		9,206.80	
Schools:			
Tuition	$498.60		
Auditorium Rental	512.00		
Miscellaneous	62.43	1,073.03	
Library:			
Fines, Lost or Damaged Books		1,003.79	
Recreation:			
Playgrounds		237.55	

Water Department:			
Water Rates	$82,616.07		
Water Liens	877.70		
Installation Deposits	6,417.81		
Miscellaneous	2,924.36	92,835.94	
Total Fees for Current Services			118,680.04
REIMBURSEMENTS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES:			
Highways — Chapter 90		$2,500.00	
Charities:			
General Relief	$826.84		
Aid to Families with Dep. Children	6,892.06		
Old Age Assistance	8,888.02		
Medical Aid for Aged	8,858.18		
Disability Assistance	1,979.91	27,445.01	
Veterans' Services		6,398.57	
Schools:			
Transportation	$40,306.59		
Division of Child Guardianship	1,368.82	41,675.41	
Total Reimbursements			78,018.99
INTEREST INCOME:			
On Taxes		$2,682.42	
On Tax Titles		472.44	
On Savings		2,762.00	
Committed		124.12	
Total Interest Income			6,040.98
TRUST FUND INCOME:			
Himes Burial Lot		$8.16	
Bliss Family Burial Lot		120.00	
Total Trust Fund Income			128.16
AGENCY:			
Dog Licenses for County			1,816.50
TRUST:			
Payroll Deductions:			
Federal Taxes	$109,098.57		
State Taxes	13,795.34		
Retirement Fund	14,814.45		
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	8,312.68		
Life Insurance Premiums	358.36		
United Fund Contributions	22.40	$146,401.80	
School Lunch Program:			
Sales	$54,943.54		
Reimbursement — Federal and State	21,944.07	76,887.61	

Water Guarantee Deposits		263.19	
Unallocated Recoveries:			
Old Age Assistance	$560.00		
Aid to Families with Dep. Children	545.00	1,105.00	
TOTAL TRUST			224,657.60
MISCELLANEOUS:			
Tax Anticipation Loans		$400,000.00	
Tax Titles Redeemed		3,817.66	
Sale of Town Histories		2,640.20	
Reimbursement for Damage to Town Property		297.37	
Sale of Personal Property		325.00	
Insurance Refund		165.14	
Unidentified Receipts		37.75	
Miscellaneous		105.56	
Refunds:			
Credited to Appropriations	$1,053.18		
Credited to Revolving Funds	305.30	1,358.48	408,747.16
Total 1965 Receipts			$2,975,440.93
Add Cash Balance January 1, 1965			431,092.95
			$3,406,533.88
Less Cash Disbursements			3,037,560.47
Cash Balance December 31, 1965			$368,973.41

Statement of Cash Disbursements

Year Ended December 31, 1965

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen, Board of		
Salaries and Wages	$8,673.26	
Supplies and Postage	711.36	
Dues and Subscriptions	362.30	
Repairs — Office Equipment	38.50	
Travel — Conferences	65.10	
Legal Notices	61.84	
Miscellaneous	139.93	
Equipment	251.74	$10,304.03
Out-of-State Travel		10.96
Town Accountant		
Salaries and Wages	$9,171.00	
Office Supplies	114.06	
Dues and Subscriptions	39.95	
Travel — Conferences	138.49	9,463.50

Town Treasurer		
Salaries and Wages	$5,170.42	
Supplies and Postage	524.58	
Dues	6.00	
Use of Car	100.00	
Repairs — Office Equipment	19.70	
Miscellaneous	8.00	
Equipment	230.60	6,059.30
Town Collector		
Salaries and Wages	$8,555.24	
Supplies and Postage	1,045.43	
Legal Notices	38.61	
Travel — Conferences	23.58	
Miscellaneous	36.55	
Equipment	130.00	9,829.41
Assessors, Board of		
Salaries and Wages	$9,370.21	
Supplies and Postage	913.59	
Repairs — Office Equipment	89.98	
Dues and Subscriptions	38.50	
Outside Services	50.00	
Car Allowance	473.12	
Miscellaneous	18.00	10,953.40
Town Clerk		
Salaries and Wages	$4,897.96	
Supplies and Postage	125.52	
Travel — Conferences	69.79	
Repairs — Office Equipment	31.60	
Dues	14.00	
Miscellaneous	18.67	5,157.54
Town Counsel		
Salary	$3,225.00	
Damages:		
Persons and Property	100.00	
Master's Fee	2,295.25	
Transcript	954.40	
Miscellaneous	48.16	6,622.81
Town Meeting and Elections		
Salaries and Wages	$706.54	
Auditorium Rental	232.00	
Ballots	188.10	
Supplies	96.58	1,223.22
Registrars of Voters		
Salaries and Wages	$518.10	
Print Street Lists	207.90	
Supplies	67.40	793.40

Planning Board			
Salaries and Wages	$2,689.00		
Engineering Services	384.00		
Dues and Subscriptions	50.00		
Regional Planning Dues	590.96		
Supplies and Postage	149.51		
Legal Notices	41.82		
Repairs — Office Equipment	35.60		
Miscellaneous	67.85		
Equipment	395.05	4,403.79	
Planning Board Master Plan		468.30	
Appeals, Board of			
Salaries and Wages	$746.66		
Supplies and Postage	54.91		
Legal Notices	73.44		
Recording Fees	44.00	919.01	
Town Office and Building Maintenance			
Salaries and Wages	$1,537.22		
Utilities	3,051.95		
Heating Fuel	360.27		
Janitorial Supplies	279.98		
Repairs and Replacements	687.52		
Miscellaneous	61.76	5,978.70	
Total — General Government			$72,187.37

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department			
Salaries and Wages	$41,973.15		
Cruiser Operating Expense	2,741.71		
Car Allowance	737.06		
Clothing	644.37		
Police Training School	161.97		
Mass. Safety Council	126.81		
Supplies	453.39		
Lock-Up Expense	200.00		
Telephone	314.04		
Miscellaneous	66.00		
Equipment	109.35	$47.527.85	
Two Police Cruisers		2,835.45	
Fire Department			
Salaries and Wages	$45,074.15		
Utilities	1,144.41		
Heating Fuel	914.29		
Maintenance and Repairs	987.68		
Gasoline and Oil	661.51		
Hydrant Rental	390.00		
Clothing	453.41		

Car Allowance	200.00	
Travel — Conferences	120.04	
Supplies	376.11	
Equipment	1,160.24	51,481.84
Pest Control		
Salaries and Wages	$861.90	
Services — Outside Contractors	350.00	
Hired Equipment	284.00	
Supplies	303.42	1,799.32
Dutch Elm Treatment		
Salaries and Wages	$2,343.25	
Services — Outside Contractors	305.00	
Hired Equipment	848.00	
Miscellaneous	2.92	3,499.17
Tree Warden		
Salaries and Wages	$2,789.55	
Services — Outside Contractors	1,170.00	
Hired Equipment	768.00	
Supplies	92.76	
Travel — Conferences	56.15	
Small Tools	102.14	
Maintenance and Repairs	82.53	
Trees	638.40	5,699.53
Forest Warden		
Salaries and Wages	$480.00	
Car Allowance	200.00	
Supplies	179.80	859.80
Building Inspector		
Salaries and Wages	$2,550.00	
Car Allowance	600.00	
Supplies	51.75	3,201.75
Wiring Inspector		
Salaries and Wages	$840.00	
Car Allowance	600.00	
Supplies	19.80	1,459.80
Sealer of Weights and Measures		
Salaries and Wages	$300.00	
Supplies	27.57	327.57
Dog Officer		
Salary		150.00
Civil Defense		
Salaries and Wages	$420.00	
Communcations	298.58	

Equipment	352.38		
Administrative Expense	14.95	1,085.91	
Total — Public Safety			119,927.99

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health			
Salaries and Wages	$6,961.94		
Operation of Dump	2,009.14		
Power	707.30		
Car Allowance	870.00		
Engineering Services	805.12		
Drugs and Nursing	619.15		
Hospitalization	2,289.72		
Supplies	173.06	14,435.43	
Land Purchase — Dump Site		11,369.35	
Garbage Collection		6,000.00	
Inspector of Animals			
Salary		65.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering			
Salary		50.00	
Sewer Engineering Survey		2,503.10	
Mosquito Control			
Salaries and Wages	$89.60		
Services — Outside Contractors	1,019.20		
Hired Equipment	32.00		
Supplies	143.32	1,284.12	
Total — Health and Sanitation			35,707.00

HIGHWAYS

Highway Department			
Salaries and Wages	$26,331.19		
Materials	10,812.32		
Services — Outside Contractors	7,127.23		
Supplies	1,049.67		
Perishable Tools	1,115.14		
Heating Fuel	169.50		
Repairs and Maintenance	1,276.45		
Engineering Services and Supplies	6,035.80	53,917.30	
Road Machinery Operating Account			
Gasoline and Oil	$2,995.85		
Repairs — Outside Contractors	1,715.40		
Repair Parts	2,816.41		
Supplies	186.25	7,713.91	

Street Lights		10,525.81
Chapter 81		
Salaries and Wages	$9,288.45	
Materials	7,801.79	
Services — Outside Contractors	2,657.75	
Town Equipment	7,052.76	26,800.75
Chapter 90 Maintenance		
Salaries and Wages	$648.08	
Materials	6,511.44	
Town Equipment	342.40	7,501.92
Chapter 90 Construction		
Salaries and Wages	$2,694.71	
Materials	13,103.91	
Services — Outside Contractors	2,996.75	
Town Equipment	1,935.64	20,731.01
Sidewalk Construction Art. 17		
Services — Outside Contractors	$4,247.20	
Land Damages	170.46	4,417.66
Sidewalk Construction Art. 18		
Services — Outside Contractors		427.60
Sidewalk Construction Art. 19		
Services — Outside Contractors	$1,176.72	
Land Damages	121.70	1,298.42
Sidewalk Construction Art. 20		
Materials	$190.50	
Services — Outside Contractors	4,213.03	4,403.53
Soule Road Construction		
Salaries and Wages	$943.52	
Services — Outside Contractors	2,960.26	
Supplies	71.54	3,975.32
Soule Road Alterations		
Salaries and Wages	$489.09	
Services — Outside Contractors	2,752.00	
Supplies	163.68	
Engineering Services	370.00	3,774.77
Resurface River Road		
Salaries and Wages	$92.92	
Services — Outside Contractors	5,479.84	
Supplies	22.40	5,595.16
Drainage — Stony Hill Road		
Salaries and Wages	$2,557.34	
Materials	5,922.87	

Services — Outside Contractors	2,302.00		
Supplies	54.86	10,837.07	
Sander		2,839.47	
½ Ton Truck		1,956.82	
3½ Ton Truck		8,451.93	
Total — Highways			175,168.45

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Town Funds			
Administration	$2,080.00		
General Relief	1,522.17		
Old Age Assistance	27,045.05		
Aid to Families With Dependent Children	9,754.99		
Disability Assistance	4,883.22	$45,285.43	
Federal Grants			
Old Age Assistance	$15,157.68		
Aid to Families With Dependent Children	7,195.93		
Disability Assistance	2,452.07		
Medical Aid for Aged	11,215.78	36,021.46	
Total — Public Assistance			81,306.89

VETERANS' SERVICES

Salaries and Wages		$764.10	
Expenses		27.00	
Aid		7,298.36	
Prior Year's Bills		276.17	
Total — Veterans' Services			8,365.63

SCHOOLS

Local			
Administration	$22,054.71		
Instruction	604,076.84		
Other School Services			
Attendance	7,085.60		
Health Service	11,724.69		
Transportation	60,122.56		
Student Body Activities	139.80		
Operation and Maintenance	94,842.53		
Fixed Charges	3,191.55		
New Equipment	4,981.14		
Tuition	20,569.05	$828,788.47	
Federal Funds			
Public Law 874		36,856.19	
Public Law 864		385.49	

Special Accounts		
Junior High School Building Plans	991.50	
Land Purchase	19,500.00	
School Building Site Committee	200.25	
Mile Tree School	885.00	
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District	543,144.96	
Total — Schools		1,430,751.86

TOWN LIBRARY

Salaries and Wages	$20,265.11	
Books	5,395.01	
Magazines and Periodicals	713.97	
Supplies and Postage	857.91	
Rebinding Books	137.28	
Utilities	848.32	
Heating Fuel	766.57	
Maintenance Materials	242.87	
Miscellaneous	94.35	
New Equipment	1,653.23	
Total — Library		30,974.62

RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

Parks		
Salaries and Wages	$512.92	
Services — Outside Contractors	110.00	
Supplies	125.50	748.42
Playgrounds		
Salaries and Wages	$3,905.82	
Recreational Supplies	1,081.21	
Maintenance Materials	329.63	
Miscellaneous	26.02	
Capital Outlay	265.00	5,607.68
Memorial and Independence Days		126.51
Community Program		6,450.58
Total — Recreation and Celebrations		12,933.19

PENSIONS

Hampden County Retirement System Assessment	15,602.20

UNCLASSIFIED

Insurance and Bonding	$10,340.97
Employees Group Insurance	4,907.44
Printing Town Reports	3,497.28
Printing Town History	10,500.00
Conservation Commission	115.10

Land Purchase — Conservation Fund		825.00	
Decennial Census		600.15	
Stabilization Fund		130,000.00	
Aid to Agriculture		200.00	
Total — Unclassified			160,985.94

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE

Water Department			
Salaries and Wages	$11,092.41		
Purchased Water	13,289.73		
Services — Outside Contractors	130.00		
Engineering Services	528.57		
Repair Parts	404.49		
Operating Supplies	376.76		
Equipment Maintenance	583.04		
Power	363.57		
Office Supplies and Postage	583.35		
Utilities	158.04		
Replace Obsolete Mains	2,239.20	$29,749.16	
Water Installations			
Salaries and Wages	$1,284.65		
Services — Outside Contractors	1,248.61		
Direct Material	5,489.39		
Supplies	112.28	8,134.93	
Total — Public Service Enterprise			37,884.09

CEMETERIES

Salaries and Wages		$933.40	
Interments		100.00	
Supplies		279.18	
Services — Outside Contractors		290.00	
Capital Outlay		175.00	
Total — Cemeteries			1,777.58

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

Maturing Debt			
School Bonds	$130,000.00		
Water Bonds	5,000.00	$135,000.00	
Maturing Interest			
School Bonds	$15,927.50		
Water Bonds	1,102.50	17,030.00	
Temporary Loan Interest		3,029.53	
Total — Debt and Interest			155,059.53

STATE AND COUNTY CHARGES

State Recreation Areas	$4,790.33	
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills	971.55	
County Tax	38,574.50	
Total — State and County Charges		44,336.38

REFUNDS

On Taxes			
Real Estate	$11,547.68		
Personal Property	597.68		
Motor Vehicle Excise	11,793.95	$23,939.31	
General			
Accounts Receivable	$94.02		
Permits	27.50		
Interest and Costs	6.47	127.99	
Total — Refunds			24,067.30

AGENCY

Dog Licenses for County	1,816.50

TRUST

Payroll Withholdings	$146,389.00	
Water Guarantee Deposits	383.19	
Bliss Fund Income	120.00	
Dog Officer's Fees	289.00	
School Lunch Program	81,526.76	
Total — Trusts		228,707.95

MISCELLANEOUS

Temporary Loan	400,000.00
Total Cash Disbursements	$3,037,560.47

Stabilization Fund

Analysis of Changes — Year Ended December 31, 1965

Balance January 1, 1965		$184,037.90
Add:		
Appropriation March 13, 1965	$130,000.00	
Interest Earnings	6,755.09	136,755.09
Balance December 31, 1965		$320,792.99

Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures, and Balances

Year Ended December 31, 1965

	Appropriations As Modified	Expended	Balances Forward	Balances Surplus
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Selectmen, Board of	$10,533.00	$10,304.03		$228.97
Out-of-State Travel	75.00	10.96		64.04
Town Accountant	9,468.00	9,463.50		4.50
Billing Equipment	5,870.00		$5,870.00	
Town Treasurer	6,170.00	6,059.30		110.70
Town Collector	9,884.00	9,829.41		54.59
Assessors, Board of	11,665.00	10,953.40	34.65	676.95
Assessors' and Planning Board Maps	1,200.00		1,200.00	
Town Clerk	5,195.00	5,157.54		37.46
Town Counsel	6,622.81	6,622.81		
By-Laws Study Committee	98.91			98.91
Elections and Town Meeting Expense	1,658.00	1,223.22	73.00	361.78
Registrars of Voters	1,070.00	793.40		276.60
Planning Board	5,397.63	4,403.79	190.35	803.49
Planning Board Master Plan	731.00	468.30		262.70
Appeals, Board of	939.00	919.01		19.99
Town Office and Bldg. Maint.	6,739.00	5,978.70		760.30
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Police Department	48,958.00	47,527.85		1,430.15
Two Police Cruisers	3,250.86	2,835.45		415.41
Fire Department	52,785.00	51,481.84		1,303.16
Pest Control	1,800.00	1,799.32		.68
Dutch Elm Treatment	3,500.00	3,499.17		.83
Tree Warden	5,700.00	5,699.53		.47
Forest Warden	900.00	859.80		40.20
Building Inspector	3,275.00	3,201.75		73.25
Wiring Inspector	1,490.00	1,459.80		30.20
Sealer of Wgts. and Measures	350.00	327.57		22.43
Dog Officer	150.00	150.00		
Civil Defense	1,101.93	1,085.91		16.02
HEALTH AND SANITATION				
Health, Board of	16,001.00	14,435.43		1,565.57
Land Purchase — Dump Site	11,580.00	11,369.35		210.65
Garbage Collection	6,000.00	6,000.00		
Inspector of Animals	65.00	65.00		
Inspector of Slaughtering	50.00	50.00		
Sewers	157.51			157.51
Sewer Engineering Survey	2,503.10	2,503.10		
Sewer Construction	14,000.00		14,000.00	
Mosquito Control	3,000.00	1,284.12		1,715.88
HIGHWAYS				
Highway Department	64,317.05	53,917.30		10,399.75

	Appropriations As Modified	Expended	Balances Forward	Surplus
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.	8,000.00	7,713.91		286.09
Street Lights	11,300.00	10,525.81		774.19
Chapter 81	26,802.00	26,800.75		1.25
Chapter 90 Maintenance	7,502.00	7,501.92		.08
Chapter 90 Const. — 1965	26,002.00	20,731.01	5,270.99	
Sidewalk Const. — Art. 17	7,862.29	4,417.66		3,444.63
Sidewalk Const. — Art. 18	437.56	427.60		9.96
Sidewalk Const. — Art. 19	7,554.84	1,298.42		6,256.42
Sidewalk Const. — Art. 20	4,503.53	4,403.53	100.00	
Soule Road Construction	5,237.89	3,975.32		1,262.57
Soule Road Alterations	12,666.00	3,774.77	8,891.23	
Resurface River Road	6,500.00	5,595.16		904.84
Resurface Tinkham Road	12,750.00		12,750.00	
Drainage — Stony Hill Road	16,875.00	10,837.07		6,037.93
Drainage — Tinkham Road	32,000.00		32,000.00	
Repairs, Green Towne Bridge	9,750.00		9,750.00	
Sander	2,850.00	2,839.47		10.53
½ Ton Truck	2,000.00	1,956.82		43.18
3½ Ton Truck	9,500.00	8,451.93		1,048.07
CHARITIES				
Department of Public Welfare				
Administration	2,080.00	2,080.00		
General Relief	4,008.00	1,522.17		2,485.83
Old Age Assistance	27,045.05	27,045.05		
Aid to Dep. Children	12,133.20	9,754.99		2,378.21
Disability Assistance	5,000.00	4,883.22		116.78
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS				
Veterans' Services	9,885.00	8,089.46		1,795.54
Prior Years' Bills	276.35	276.17		.18
SCHOOLS				
Local				
Regular Operating	828,788.65	828,788.47		.18
Out-of-State Travel	80.00			80.00
Jr. High School Bldg. Plans	25,500.00	991.50	24,508.50	
Land Purchase — School Site	19,500.00	19,500.00		
School Bldg. Site Committee	2,000.00	200.25	1,799.75	
Mile Tree School	15,389.64	885.00		
Transfer	(14,504.64)			
Pines School Addition	508.04			
Transfer	(508.04)			
Hampden-Wilbraham Regional	543,144.96	543,144.96		
LIBRARY				
Public Library	31,959.45	30,974.62		984.83
RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS				
Parks	750.00	748.42		1.58
Playgrounds	5,920.00	5,607.68		312.32

	Appropriations As Modified	Expended	Balances Forward	Balances Surplus
Memorial-Independence Days	200.00	126.51		73.49
Community Program	6,480.00	6,450.58		29.42
PENSIONS				
County Retirement Assessment	$15,602.20	$15,602.20		
UNCLASSIFIED				
Printing Town Reports	4,000.00	3,497.28		502.72
Town History	10,501.85	10,500.00		1.85
Decennial Census	1,000.00	600.15		399.85
Industrial Development	100.00			100.00
Removal of Buildings	500.00		500.00	
Aid to Agriculture	200.00	200.00		
Insurance and Bonding	10,399.00	10,340.97		58.03
Employees Group Insurance	6,171.00	4,907.44	1,263.56	
Conservation Commission	120.00	115.10		4.90
Conservation Fund	2,420.00		1,595.00	
Transfer	(825.00)			
Land Purchase — Conservation	825.00	825.00		
Soils Analysis Map	2,930.00		2,930.00	
Stabilization Fund	130,000.00	130,000.00		
Reserve Fund	30,000.00			22,044.84
Transfers	(7,955.16)			
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE				
Water Department				
Maintenance	30,200.00	29,749.16		450.84
Installations	10,436.00	8,134.93		2,301.07
Water Explor. Program	621.21			621.21
Water Mains	689.65		689.65	
CEMETERIES	2,150.00	1,777.58		372.42
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST				
Maturing Debt				
School Bonds	130,000.00	130,000.00		
Water Bonds	5,000.00	5,000.00		
Maturing Interest				
School Bonds	15,927.50	15,927.50		
Water Bonds	1,102.50	1,102.50		
Temp. Loan Interest	3,067.46	3,029.53		37.93
Totals	$2,465,162.78	$2,265,369.20	$123,416.68	$76,376.90

Reconciliation of Appropriation:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1965	$68,562.04
Appropriations 1965	2,395,547.56
Refunds	1,053.18
	$2,465,162.78

Disposition of Balances:	
Surplus	$65,328.83
Road Machinery Fund	1,048.07
Overlay Surplus	10,000.00
	$76,376.90

Non-Appropriation Expenditures — 1965

Federal Grants:		
Department of Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance	$15,157.68	
Aid to Dependent Children	7,195.93	
Disability Assistance	2,452.07	
Medical Aid for Aged	11,215.78	$36,021.46
School Department:		
Public Law 874	$36,856.19	
Public Law 864	385.49	37,241.68
State and County Charges:		
State Recreation Areas	$4,790.33	
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills	971.55	
County Tax	38,574.50	44,336.38
Refunds:		
On Taxes:		
Real Estate	$11,547.68	
Personal Property	597.68	
Motor Vehicle Excise	11,793.95	
General:		
Accounts Receivable	94.02	
Permits	27.50	
Interest and costs	6.47	24,067.30
Agency:		
Dog Licenses for County		1,816.50
Trust:		
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Withholding Taxes	$109,085.77	
State Withholding Taxes	13,795.34	
County Retirement System	14,814.45	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	8,312.68	
Life Insurance Premiums	358.36	
United Fund Contributions	22.40	
Water Guarantee Deposits	383.19	
Bliss Fund Income	120.00	
Dog Officer's Fees	289.00	
School Lunch Program	81,526.76	228,707.95
Miscellaneous:		
Repayment of Tax Anticipation Loans		400,000.00
Total		$772,191.27
Add — Appropriation Expenditures		$2,265,369.20
Total Expenditures per Warrants		$3,037,560.47

Town of Wilbraham

Bonded Indebtedness

December 31, 1965

Maturity Year	1949 Memorial School	1953 Addition Memorial and Pines	1957 Addition Stony Hill School	1961 Addition Pines School	1963 Mile Tree School	1955 Water Bonds	Total
1966	$15,000	$20,000	$20,000	$40,000	$35,000	$5,000	$135,000
1967	15,000	15,000	20,000		35,000	5,000	90,000
1968	15,000	15,000	20,000		30,000	5,000	85,000
1969	15,000	15,000	20,000			5,000	55,000
1970		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1971		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1972		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1973		15,000	20,000			5,000	40,000
1974			20,000			5,000	25,000
1975			20,000			5,000	25,000
1976			20,000				20,000
1977			20,000				20,000
Totals	$60,000	$125,000	$240,000	$40,000	$100,000	$50,000	$615,000

The unpaid balance of State Grants-in-Aid payable over the life of the outstanding School Construction Bonds is $367,270.94. In addition the Town is contingently liable for 77.5% of the $1,355,000 balance and 79.97% of the $605,000 balance of Minnechaug Regional High School Planning, Construction, and Building Addition loans.

Statement of Legal Debt Margin

As of December 31, 1965

Assessed Value — Average of three preceding years			$57,211,529
Debt Limit 5% of Assessed Value			$2,860,576
Amount of Debt applicable to Debt Limit:			
Total Bonded Debt		$615,000	
Less:			
Water Bonds	$50,000		
School Bonds Outside Limit	440,000	490,000	
Total Amount of Debt applicable to Debt Limit			125,000
Legal Debt Margin			$2,735,576

NOTE — Debt limit established by Section 10, Chapter 44 of the General Laws. Assessed value includes motor vehicle and trailers.

Accounts Receivable

As of December 31, 1965

	Total	1965	1964
Special Assessments:			
Street Betterments	$61.00	$41.00	$20.00
Interest on Betterments	19.69	13.49	6.20
Departmental:			
Ambulance Service	1,030.00	1,015.00	15.00
Licenses	330.75	328.25	2.50
Reimbursements:			
Aid to Dependent Children	1,863.30	1,863.30	
Veterans' Services	3,129.81	3,129.81	
Water:			
Rates	8,654.78	8,654.78	
Miscellaneous	391.78	391.78	
Liens	113.32		113.32
Total	$15,594.43	$15,437.41	$157.02

Statement of Trust Funds

	Balance Jan. 1, 1965	Receipts	Balance Dec. 31, 1965
Stebbins, Chloe B., Charity Fund	$339.72	$13.70	$353.42
Warriner, Deacon, School Fund	1,274.20	51.46	1,325.66
School Lot Fund	1,327.15	55.31	1,382.46
Stebbins, Chloe B., Library Fund	190.49	7.68	198.17
Bell, Abner E., Library Fund	75.82	3.04	78.86
Cutler, Henry, Library Funds	1,416.16	57.18	1,473.34
Civil War Mortar Memorial Plaque Fund	58.45	2.34	60.79
Soldiers' Monument Park Fund	1,251.10	50.54	1,301.64
CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE:			
Adams, G. Frank	422.61	17.06	439.67
Amadon, Charles L.	255.03	10.30	265.33
Baldwin, John W.	567.25	23.64	590.89
Bishop Lot	260.58	10.50	271.08
Bowker, Henry A.	175.91	7.08	182.99
Brewer, Edward H.	730.64	29.50	760.14
Bruuer, Laura	1,234.63	49.86	1,284.49
Bryant, Albro	125.73	5.24	130.97
Butler, Philip and Angeline R.	156.33	6.51	162.84
Butler, Henry C. and Green, Herbert F.	195.83	8.16	203.99
Butler, James A.	261.31	10.89	272.20
Bliss, Ethelbert	2,176.64	167.80	2,344.44
Butler, William	175.91	7.08	182.99
Calkins, Abel B.	241.72	10.08	251.80
Calkins, Charles M.	156.33	6.51	162.84
Calkins, Howard	344.68	13.90	358.58
Carson, Emma	88.31	3.56	91.87
Chilson, Inez V.	177.05	7.14	184.19
Clark, Henry	175.90	7.08	182.98
Coon, Frederick	73.02	2.94	75.96
Copeland, Evalina H.	156.33	6.51	162.84
Dane, Lucy M.	125.77	5.24	131.01
Danks, Hiram	123.77	4.98	128.75
Dasco Lot	323.73	13.06	336.79
Dunsmore, J. W.	245.69	9.90	255.59
Fuller, F. A. and Lane, Marshall A.	547.28	22.10	569.38
Gates, Charles H.	156.33	6.51	162.84
Gates, Harriet	251.89	10.50	262.39
Gilbert, Blanche B.	242.60	10.11	252.71
Graves, W. H.	123.21	4.96	128.17
Green, Benjamin B.	156.33	6.51	162.84
Greene, B. Franklin	125.73	5.24	130.97
Green, Fred W.	156.33	6.51	162.84
Green, Henry	168.45	6.78	175.23
Green, Lora M.	98.24	4.10	102.34
Jones, Eliza V.	175.90	7.08	182.98
Kibbe, Anna C.	177.62	7.16	184.78
Knowlton, Abraham	125.93	5.25	131.18
Knowlton, Charles R.	175.91	7.08	182.99

	Balance Jan. 1, 1965	Receipts	Balance Dec. 31, 1965
Knowlton, George E.	251.58	10.49	262.07
May, Etta Simmons	246.33	9.94	256.27
Morgan, Angeline P.	126.43	5.27	131.70
North, Charles	318.82	12.86	331.68
Parker, Charles J.	377.60	15.74	393.34
Perry, Inez M.	156.33	6.51	162.84
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Potter, Ira G.	177.60	7.16	184.76
Potter, P. P.	125.85	5.25	131.10
Read, William H.	247.02	9.96	256.98
Rice, Jesse L.	246.98	9.94	256.92
Rindge, Frank R. and Hattie R.	111.13	4.63	115.76
Seaver, Allyn M.	249.29	10.39	259.68
Spear-Butler Lot	324.22	13.08	337.30
Stebbins, Chloe B.	123.23	4.96	128.19
Stebbins, Luther and Milton	246.90	9.94	256.84
Stebbins, Frances E.	311.58	12.99	324.57
Smith, Martha E.	89.09	3.72	92.81
Spencer, Nellie	125.73	5.24	130.97
Tupper, Elizabeth B.	61.71	2.46	64.17
	$21,659.29	$962.70	$22,621.99

Town Collector's Report

Taxes	*Outstanding Jan. 1, 1965*	*Committed*	*Refunds*	*Cash Paid Treasurer*	*Abated*	*Transfers*	*Outstanding Dec. 31, 1965*
Real Estate 1962	$31.90		$825.66	$17.60	$825.66	(1) $14.30	
Real Estate 1963	11,383.94		698.66	9,994.37	846.71	(1) 1,241.52	
Personal Property 1963	190.35			24.67	165.68		
Real Estate 1964	67,976.93	$19.60	806.70	58,110.72	747.01	(1) 1,294.83	8,650.67
Personal Property 1964	2,257.48		69.83	2,119.05	193.56		14.70
Real Estate 1965		1,403,903.77	9,216.66	1,328,924.73	19,612.78	(1) 2,126.69	62,456.23
Personal Property 1965		62,260.67	527.85	59,457.72	849.66		2,481.14
Motor Vehicle Excise							
1960		*110.48		*110.48			
1961		*2.75		*2.75			
1963	1,101.78			325.10	776.68		
1964	8,010.98	21,583.21	1,588.81	25,296.89	4,935.04		951.07
1965		268,392.17	10,205.14	245,752.28	20,792.32		12,052.71

Farm Animal Excise							
1965		98.50		98.50			
Street Betterments							
Unapportioned							
1964	281.64			46.54		(2)235.10	
1965		916.37		916.37			
Street Betterments							
1963	30.00			30.00			
1964	49.00			29.00			20.00
1965		394.27		353.27			41.00
Committed Interest							
1963	9.40			9.40			
1964	17.00			10.80			6.20
1965		117.41		103.92			13.49
Ambulance Service	710.00	2,475.00	15.00	1,670.00	500.00		1,030.00
Departmental Accounts Receivable							
Selectmen's Licenses	150.25	10,973.25		10,787.25	5.50		330.75
Garbage Collection		8,098.60	36.25	7,443.60	691.25		
General Relief	95.00	495.14		590.14			
Disability Assistance		1,979.91		1,979.91			
Aid Family Dep. Children	2,794.40	5,926.46		6,857.56			1,863.30
Old Age Assistance	138.30	8,417.53		8,555.83			
Medical Aid for Aged		8,858.18		8,858.18			
Veterans' Services	4,719.08	3,709.30		5,298.57			3,129.81

TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT (Continued)

Taxes	*Outstanding Jan. 1, 1965*	*Committed*	*Refunds*	*Cash Paid Treasurer*	*Abated*	*Transfers*	*Outstanding Dec. 31, 1965*
Water Department							
Rates	6,506.95	85,745.27	6.00	82,616.07	33.12	(3)954.25	8,654.78
Miscellaneous	344.23	9,392.72		2,924.36	3.00	(4)6,417.81	391.78
Water Liens Added to Taxes		954.25	36.77	877.70			113.32
	$106,798.61	$1,904,824.81	$24,033.33	$1,870,193.33	$50,977.97	$12,284.50	$102,200.95

Items collected but not committed:			
Interest on Delinquent Taxes		$2,682.42	
Costs on Delinquent Taxes		1,481.00	
Municipal Liens and Discharges		184.00	(1) To Tax Titles
Apportioned Assessments Paid in Advance		277.00	(2) Added to Taxes
History Books		2,635.00	(3) Water Liens
Books on Hand Jan. 1, 1965	1874		(4) From Water Deposits
Books Sold to Jan. 1, 1966	527		
Books on Hand Jan. 1, 1966	1347		* Paid after Abatement
Cartons for History Books		5.20	
Cartons on Hand Jan. 1, 1965	235		
Cartons Sold to Jan. 1, 1966	26		
Cartons on Hand Jan. 1, 1966	209		
CASH PAID TREASURER		$1,877,457.95	MARK E. REYNOLDS

Town Clerk's Report

RECEIPTS

Dog Licenses		
437 Males at $2.00	$874.00	
356 Spayed Females at $2.00	712.00	
83 Females at $5.00	415.00	
1 Kennel at $10.00	10.00	
1 Kennel at $25.00	25.00	$2,036.00
Sporting Licenses		
312 Resident Fishing at $4.25	$1,326.00	
150 Resident Hunting at $4.25	637.50	
116 Resident Sporting at $7.25	841.00	
57 Resident Fishing (Minor) at $2.25	128.25	
51 Resident Fishing (Female) at $3.25	165.75	
3 Special Non-Resident Fishing at $4.25	12.75	
7 Non-Resident Citizen Fishing at $8.75	61.25	
2 Alien Fishing at $8.75	17.50	
1 Non-Resident Citizen Hunting at $15.25	15.25	
6 Duplicate Licenses at $0.50	3.00	
39 Archery Deer Stamps at $1.10	42.90	
45 Resident Citizen Sporting (Free)		
1 Resident Citizen Fishing Paraplegic or to the Blind (Old Age Ass't.) (Free)		3,251.15
Marriage Licenses		
61 at $2.00	$122.00	
11 at $4.00	44.00	166.00
Miscellaneous		
Recording Financing Statements	$595.25	
Copies of Records	150.05	
Pole Locations	182.00	
Gasoline Storage Permits	8.50	
Federal Tax Liens	12.00	
Miscellaneous	53.00	1,000.80
		$6,453.95

PAYMENTS

County — Dog Licenses		$1,816.50
Division of Fisheries and Game		3,072.50
Clerk's Fees		
878 Dogs at $0.25	$219.50	
699 Fishing, Hunting and Sporting Licenses at $0.25	174.75	
39 Archery Stamps at $0.10	3.90	
Marriage Licenses	166.00	
Recording Financing Statements	595.25	
Copies of Records	150.05	

Pole Locations	182.00	
Gasoline Storage Permits	8.50	
Federal Tax Liens	12.00	
Miscellaneous	53.00	1,564.95
		$6,453.95

VITAL STATISTICS

	1965*	1964	1963
Births Recorded			
Males	49	75	77
Females	68	67	74
	117	142	151

	1965	1964	1963
Marriages Recorded	78	75	77
Deaths Recorded			
Males	31	28	34
Females	26	30	29
	57	58	63

*1965 Incomplete. October, November, and December records from Springfield not received at date of printing.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

TO REPORT A FIRE, CALL AMBULANCE OR OTHER EMERGENCY 6-3111

Station — Boston Road — Fire Permits.. 6-3122

Chief Tupper 6-3014

POLICE

Local Police 6-3837

Chief Leary 6-3376

State Police 283-5671

CIVIL DEFENSE 6-3838

DEPARTMENT	CALL	TELEPHONE
Assessors	Assessors	6-3816
Birth, Death, Marriage Certificates	Town Clerk	6-3816
Board of Health	Selectmen	6-3816
Building Permits	Town Clerk	6-3816
	Inspector	6-4885
Charities and Relief	Welfare Department	525-2750
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	6-3816
Dog Roaming	Assistant Dog Officer	6-3624
Fishing & Hunting Licenses	Town Clerk	6-3816
Forest Warden	Fire Chief	6-3122
Highways	Superintendent	6-3060
Library	Librarian	6-6141
Planning Board	Secretary	6-3816
Rubbish, Garbage Disposal	Selectmen	6-3861
School	Minnechaug	6-6161
School	Pines	543-1501
School	Memorial	6-3465
School	Mile Tree	6-6921
School	Stony Hill	6-4974
School Nurse	Memorial	6-3465
Selective Service System	Local Board No. 84 Main St., Palmer	283-8836
Supt. of Schools	Minnechaug	6-4266
Taxes	Town Collector	6-3816
Town Treasurer	Treasurer	6-3816
Trees	Tree Warden	6-4675
Veterans' Services	Veterans' Agent	525-3305
Visiting Nurse	Visiting Nurse Assoc. Springfield	732-4145
Water Department	Superintendent	6-3816
		6-3060
	Sundays and Holidays	6-3413

Town of Wilbraham

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BICENTENNIAL PROGRAM

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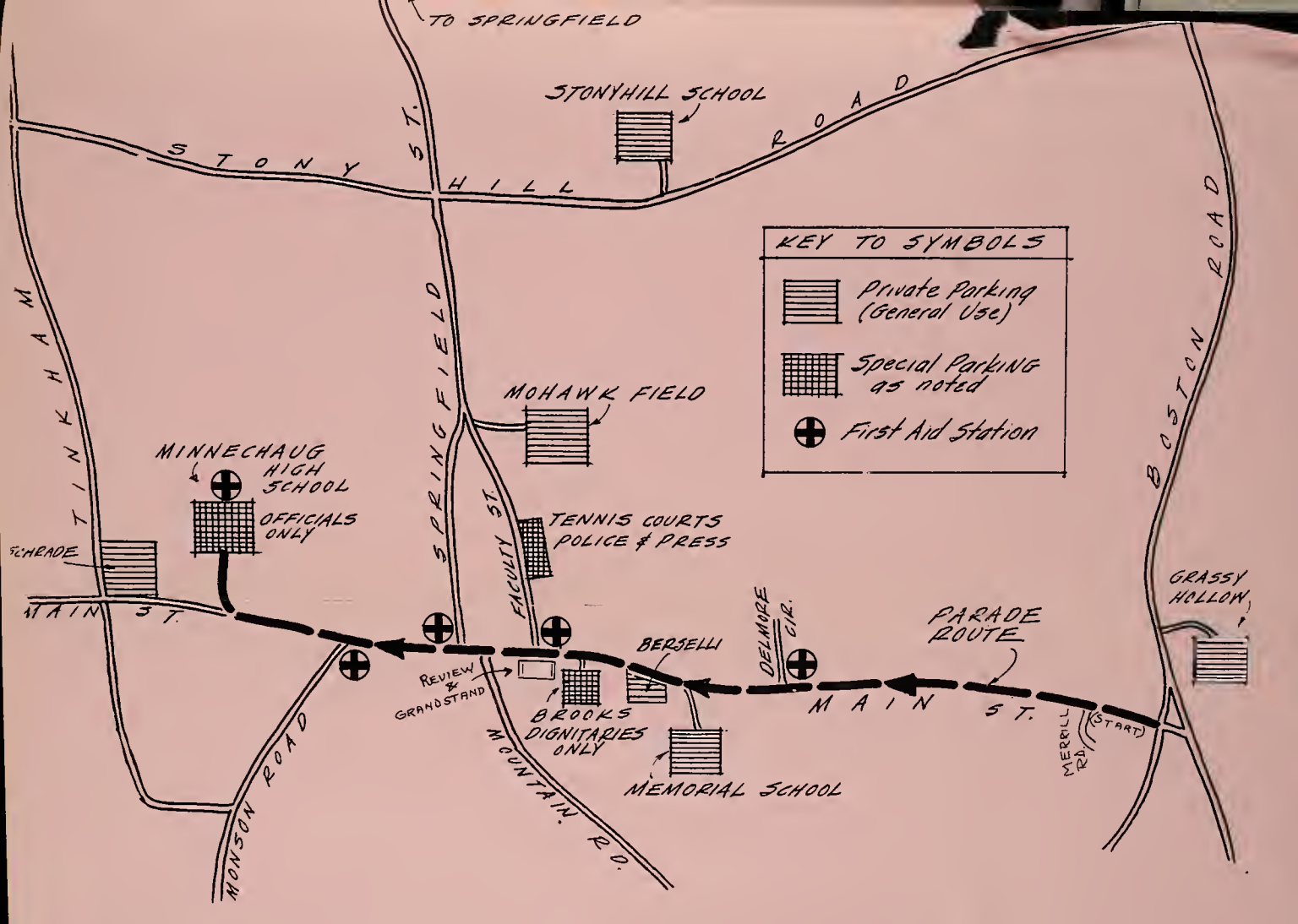
ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATING IN PARADE

Police Escort
Air Natl. Guard Det. - Colors & Float
American Legion, #418 & #236
Admiral & Swabby Float
Polish Amer. Vets. Color Guard
Naval Reserve Color Guard
1st Naval District Band
Parade Chairman
Dignitaries
Ft. Devens - Army Display
Westover 8th Air Force Band
U.S.Coast Guard Res. Color Guard
Gold Star Mothers
Marine Corps Reserve Color Guard
Marine Res.Det. & Iwo Jima Float
Lexington Minutemen
Minnechaug H.S. Band & Colors
Chicopee Polish American Band
One Hundred Club
Friendly Ice Cream
Hampden County American Legion
Springfield Elks Band
Civil Air Patrol Det.
Boy Scouts of America
Girl Scouts of America
Storrowton Music Group & Band
Shriners
Gilbert Stacy
Indian Orchard Accordion Band
Lolly Pop Kids
St. Cecilia's Church - Altar Boys
Jr. Catholic Daughters
Assumption D & B Corps
Women's Club
Boy Scouts
Men's Club
Philip Stanger
Rice Fruit Farm
Tecumseh Tribe No. 20
St. George D & B Corps
Mt.Carmel "Carmelites" Color Guard
City of Holyoke - Police Reserve
Miss Holyoke
Miss Colleen
Chamber of Commerce
[illegible]urch of the Epiphany
[illegible]pfld. Technical H.S. Band
Miss Springfield
Uncle Joe & Eddy Group
Ten Pin Bowling Alley
Eastern Star
Marksmen D & B Corps
Vagabond D & B Corps
Logan Insurance
Mr. Fontaine & Mr. Coburn
Mr. W. Lamb
H. P. Hood & Sons
Town of Monson Band - Selectmen
Town of Hampden
Town of Palmer
Town of Ware
Town of East Longmeadow - Queen
Town of Granby
Town of Belchertown - Band
Narragansett Beer Wagon
Skorupski Brothers
Monarch Jr. D & B Corps
Welcome Wagon
Father Knickerbocker
Mattatuck Drum Corps
Town of Ludlow - Police
Board of Selectmen
Ludlow H.S. Band
Civil Air Patrol
Grange Float
Lions Club Float
Target D & B Corps
Portuguese Amer. Citizens Club
Portuguese Amer. Ladies Club
Rainbow Girls Float
French Ladies Float
Hook & Ladder Fire Truck
4-H Club Float
Polish Womens Alliance Gr.#356
Circus Animals and Clowns
Bennett Turkey Farm
Red Cross Bloodmobile
Miss Chicopee
Wilbraham Town Crier
Wilbraham C ke Float
Wilbraham Ambulance
Wilbraham Town Float - Queen
Wilbraham Polish Amer. Vets. Float
Wilbraham Polish Amer. Vets.
Wilbraham Sea Scouts
Wilbraham United Church
North Wilbraham Social Club
Wilbraham Grange
Wilbraham Democratic Committee
Wilbraham Lions Club - Officers
Members
Floats
Wilbraham Country Club
Wilbraham Glendale Church
Wilbraham 4-H Club Display
Wilbraham Republican Committee
Wilbraham Center Drug
Wilbraham Camera Club
Wilbraham Women's Club
Wilbraham Rescue Truck
Wilbraham Package Store Float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STONYHILL SCHOOL
STONY HILL ROAD
ST.
KEY TO SYMBOLS
Private Parking (General Use)
Special Parking as noted
First Aid Station
BOSTON ROAD
TINKHAM
SPRINGFIELD ST.
MOHAWK FIELD
MINNECHAUG HIGH SCHOOL
OFFICIALS ONLY
TENNIS COURTS POLICE & PRESS
FACULTY ST.
SCHRADE
MAIN ST.
GRASSY HOLLOW
PARADE ROUTE
DELMORE CIR.
BERSELLI
REVIEW & GRANDSTAND
BROOKS DIGNITARIES ONLY
MAIN ST.
MERRILL RD.
(START)
MEMORIAL SCHOOL
MONSON ROAD
MOUNTAIN RD.

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Famed Wilbraham

O, Wilbraham, our Wilbraham, your mountains and your plain,
In ages past, with changes vast, you bowed to Nature's reign.
On Hunting Hills, by ponds and rills, the red men sought their food,
From boulders soft, they came here oft to carve their dishes rude.

A simple life, so far from strife - Connecticut to sea.
Then white men scale the winding trail - What destiny to be?
With frontier zest, with friendliness, they buy the Indian's land,
A princess stayed; her home she made by mountain brooklet's strand.

One settler came, Hitchcock his name, two centuries ago,
Good message sends - he's joined by friends - we see a parish grow,
Home, church and school, a wish to rule, and then we have a town,
Two-hundred years, peace, wars and fears; fame - men of great renown.

With loyal heart, we do our part to honor you today,
O, Wilbraham, our Wilbraham, may blessings come your way.

Henry I. Edson

The Author, Mr. Henry Irving Edson, was born in Wilbraham, May 16, 1878.

A BRIEF STORY OF WILBRAHAM

About 1675 the people of Springfield, who had come from the Massachusetts Bay settlement in the Boston area to the Connecticut Valley in 1636, bought from the Indians the hilly area to the east, and called it the Outward Commons. Some ten years later they divided the land among the "landed proprietors" of Springfield, but regarded it as common wilderness until 1731, when Nathaniel Hitchcock and his family came to settle on our present Main Street south of the center village. By 1741 the population numbered some 30 families, and the area now Wilbraham and Hampden (approximately) was established as the Fourth Precinct of Springfield. The first business after organizing the precinct was the hiring and settlement of the Reverend Noah Merrick as the first minister, which was accomplished on June 14, 1741, - the same day the church was organized. On June 15, 1763, the Fourth Precinct, plus a little more land from Springfield, was "erected into a separate town by the name of Wilbraham", with a population of about 400. The southern part of the town soon developed a desire for its own church in the vicinity of the Scantic river, with the result that on June 11, 1782, the town was divided into two parishes, and present Hampden became the South Parish of Wilbraham. Nearly a hundred years later, on March 28, 1878, the final step in the division of the town was taken by the legislature, and the South Parish became the town of Hampden.

Discarding the practice of their Boston forebears, the settlers of Wilbraham laid out their highways to provide means of conveniently going between objectives, rather than following cowpaths, although this town was essentially agricultural until World War II. Sheep, cattle, fruit and grain were the principal products until poultry, including turkeys, assumed importance about 1930. Following the close of the second World War, agriculture has rapidly disappeared and housing developments have taken its place. Now the town is essentially residential, with farming limited to a dozen or so specialized farms. This trend to residential predominance led inevitably to a serious-minded fire department about 1920, a water system in 1926, a zoning system and planning board beginning in 1928 and maturing in 1946, and a police department about 1954.

Industry was limited principally to textiles in the early days, located on the Scantic river and on Twelve Mile brook. Later came the Collins Manufacturing Company (paper) and the Cutler Company (grain processing, driers and gristmills) on the Chicopee river. The Collins paper mill was the largest employer.

Education has always been considered seriously in Wilbraham. The meager private schools and frugal public schools were given great impetus by the location of Wesleyan Academy here in 1825. The town has passed through the district school system, and the sending of advanced pupils to the academy and to out-of-town high schools, to a system of three larger schools in which pupils are prepared for the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional high school.

Located somewhere between the country town and big municipal business, the population having nearly doubled in the last ten years to a present 7400, Wilbraham is suffering growing pains and eagerly seeking new industry to help pay the cost of public service and education now borne by farming and residential real estate.

The Spiritual leaders of our town. Seated are Rev. Daniel B. Kunhardt, Vicar of the Church of the Epiphany; Rev. John J. Scanlon, Pastor of St. Cecilia's Church. Standing are Dr. Walter T. James, Minister of the United Church; Rev. Helen Thomas, Minister of Christian Education United Church; Rev. Henry E. Green, Minister of Grace Union Church; and Rev. C. Wendell Smith, Minister of Glendale Methodist Church.

WILBRAHAM CHURCHES

The Town of Wilbraham owes its very existence to the desire of its settlers for a church of their own. Since 1741, services have been held here regularly, and our several churches form the basis of a sound, God-fearing community.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

The Church of the Epiphany was organized in 1957. The congregation numbered fifty-six families. With the approval of the Rt. Rev. Robert M. Hatch, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts, the first service was held January 26, 1958. The United Church offered the use of its old building, the Parish House, gratis, for the first several months. In 1958 a vicarage was built and The Rev. Daniel B. Kunhardt appointed as the first Vicar.

The congregation has grown steadily and now totals 351

Church of the Epiphany

baptized adults and children. In 1962 construction was started on a twenty acre site on Highland Avenue and the first service was held in a new building on Nov. 27, 1962. The present building is a permanent parish hall, which is used temporarily as a church, with a wing for offices and classrooms. A permanent church will be added in the future.

GLENDALE METHODIST CHURCH

The Glendale Methodist Church was built in 1868 at a cost of $2,000.00 and was dedicated December 30, 1868. Descenddents of some of the original trustees are still living in Glendale and Wilbraham. Ministers over the years have been shared with the Hampden and Wilbraham churches.

At the present time, the church membership is thirty-three. Several more people are planning to join in the near future. The pastor is Rev. C. Wendell Smith of East Longmeadow. There is an active Sunday School with thirty children enrolled and five teachers. Mrs. John K. Nordin is superintendent. Mrs. Alvin H. Richmond is president of a very active Women's Society for Christian Service. The women are well-known for the strawberry shortcake and chicken pie suppers they serve.

In 1946 the Glendale Methodist Church purchased the old #7 schoolhouse on Glendale Road from the heirs of the Munsell family. The building was modernized, and is in constant use for suppers, Sunday school classes, entertainments, and used

Glendale Methodist Church

by the Hampden County meetings, etc. It is now known as the Glendale Methodist Community House.

One of the traditions of this church is the Memorial Service held each year on the Sunday preceeding Memorial Day, when members and friends of the two American Legion groups in town attend. After the church service all present go across the road to the cemetery where the names of soldiers from Glendale buried here are read; children from the church place flowers on the graves and members of the Legions place flags in the markers. The service ends by the placing of a wreath on the memorial boulder at the corner. The playing of "Taps" is the final tribute.

GRACE UNION CHURCH

Grace Union Church, located on the corner of Mountain Road and Chapel Street, was organized in 1886 as a "Union" church composed of Congregationalists, Baptists and Methodists. The church assumed regular Congregational affiliation in May of 1890, and it became a part of the United Church of Christ in 1960.

Grace Union Church has been blessed with steady growth ensured by the loyal support of men and women of the church together with wise leadership. Now, as the Town of Wilbraham embarks upon its bicentennial anniversary, the church has begun another phase in remodeling and enhancing its facilities.

Grace Union Church

It is of interest to note its membership at present includes persons representing eight different denominational backgrounds.

ST. CECILIA'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

The first St. Cecilia's Church was a frame building constructed in 1891 near the intersection of Main and Maple Streets, North Wilbraham. For sixty years this building served as a mission church under the supervision of St. Thomas Parish of the Town of Palmer.

On June 20, 1951, St. Cecilia's became a separate parish and the Reverend Fr. John J. Scanlon was appointed its first Pastor. Under his leadership the new parish attained a phenomenal growth. On November 22, 1958, the new Church of St. Cecilia, complete with a chapel and a modern social center, was dedicated by The Most Reverend Christopher J. Weldon. Bishop of The Diocese of Springfield.

In less than twelve years the parish has grown from 700 to 2000 parishioners. Active Church-sponsored groups include the Catholic Men's Club; the Catholic Women's Club; the Catholic Junior Daughters of America; a Boy Scout Troop; Men's, Women's, and Children's Choirs; and the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. Each Saturday the Sisters of St. Joseph hold catechetical classes for 500 children.

St. Cecilia's Catholic Women's Club was organized in 1952, and has grown from a few women to a membership over 300. The Club fosters religious and social unity among the

St. Cecilia's Roman Catholic Church

women of St. Cecilia's parish. Its spiritual objectives are affirmed each year by a Communion breakfast attended by all members.

The Club has brought to its monthly meetings many notables from all walks of life. Guest speakers have covered a wide range of spiritual, recreational, literary, fashion, art, and travel subjects. One of the principal events that the Club features annually is the Christmas Bazaar which draws many visitors.

St. Cecilia's Catholic Men's Club was founded in 1951. The Club's four-fold purpose seeks to enrich the spiritual life of the parish, build a sports program, sponsor social functions for members, and provide financial assistance to the Pastor for parish projects. Monthly dinner meetings are held.

In 1951 Fr. Scanlon recommended that the Club sponsor various sports activities for all Wilbraham boys. With the help of a town-wide, non-sectarian committee the Baseball and Basketball League were greatly expanded. 400 boys are enrolled in a baseball program and 150 boys in the basketball league with sixty men assisting.

THE WILBRAHAM UNITED CHURCH

The Wilbraham United Church goes back to the formation of the "Fourth Precinct" or Parish of Springfield, January 4,

The Wilbraham United Church

1741. The first minister was The Rev. Noah Merrick and there were eight members. From this original Congregational church a Methodist group split off in 1791. Circuit riding Bishop Francis Asbury was a famous early visitor. These two groups reunited in 1911. Today this federation of Churches is the second oldest and has the largest membership of any such group in the state of Massachusetts.

New Church and educational buildings were dedicated in 1958, seventh in a series of Church homes ranging from the old Meeting House on Wigwam Hill to the present Academy Chapel. A broad program of organizations and activities, including a large Church School, serves a constituency of more than 1500 adults and children each day of the week. Dr. Walter T. James has been pastor since 1954.

Through monthly meetings the Mothers' Club provides opportunities for Christian fellowship and service to Church, community, and the world to mothers of pre-school children. A Sunday nursery helps young couples attend church services. A Vietnamese girl receives financial support. The "Apple Blossom Tour of Homes" and the "Holly Ball" are annual events. Members helped with the 1962 cookbook, "Favorite Recipes from Wilbraham Kitchens". Each year speakers cover a wide range of topics.

Minnechaug Regional High School

WILBRAHAM SCHOOLS

Over the years, Wilbraham citizens have established an educational standard to be proud of. It has been due to the foresight of the Wilbraham school committee and the citizens themselves. The Town has never known a serious problem or deficiency in the school system. By taking the number of births each year, the school committees has been able to predict the educational needs of the future and work toward fulfilling them.

PINES SCHOOL

In 1932 Pines School in North Wilbraham made its debut as a small school needing only to meet the needs of a few children. But since that day, residents of Wilbraham have seen the number of prospective students accelerate geometrically. After its construction in 1932, Pines school was apparently unable to keep up service to its expanding student population. In 1953 an addition of the Auditorium-cafeteria-gymnasium was made along with locker space and storage space. In 1962, twelve classrooms were added which should provide adequately for the northwest section of Town for several years to come.

MEMORIAL SCHOOL

In 1948 plans were suggested and approved for the Memorial School to be built on Main Street. Memorial has proved to be very efficient since its construction in 1950, and the addition of seven classrooms in 1953 made it one of the finest schools in the area. It was necessary to enlarge the kitchen, and modify the combination auditorium-cafeteria in 1961. The School's conservative, yet modern designing makes it one of the most attractive in Massachusetts.

STONY HILL SCHOOL

Stony Hill School was built in 1956 to accommodate the rising number of grade school students. Immediately upon opening, it was realized that another wave of children was coming, so an addition was planned and opened in 1958. This school now offers primary experience unparalleled in a wide area.

MINNECHAUG REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

By far the most industrious of the school building projects was spurred when Springfield announced its forthcoming refusal to accept tuition students from outlying districts. Hampden and Wilbraham realized the need for a high school and regional school (one catering to two or more townships) seemed to be the most efficient and economical solution. The regional school was voted on October 20, 1956 and opened in September 1959. Since its establishment, Minnechaug Regional School

Memorial High School

has accomplished outstanding results academically, musically and in sports. It has become one of the "biggest" little high schools in Massachusetts.

But the population of Wilbraham cannot be satisfied. Construction on a new elementary school opposite Minnechaug is now underway. By 1965 an addition to the High School will be a must. With continued successful planning, the educational standards of Wilbraham will remain at the high level they have enjoyed for years.

PARENT - TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Our fine Wilbraham School system boasts a superb faculty working arm in arm with the citizens. This has provided a united educational effort. The Parent-Teacher relationship, when strong, often spurs the students on through better understanding. This also provides the community with benefits it could not otherwise receive.

The independent Pines School P.T.A. consisted of 50 members at its start in 1951. Its aim was to provide rainy day and recreational equipment for the children. Each year the children are treated to a Christmas party, and the Safety patrol to a picnic. Since 1959 it has lent support to a Scholarship Fund. The now 360 members have thought of ingenious fund raising projects such as square dance lessons, candy sales, card parties and many more over the past few years. The children of Pines School are receiving many "extras" that

Pines School

Stony Hill School

make school life even more enjoyable, through the ambitious efforts of the P.T.A.

The Memorial school P.T.A. sponsors a fund drive for their music department and library each year. Memorial P.T.A. also helps to sponsor a Scholarship Fund. This years major project is the sale of the Bi-Centennial Commemorative Plate.

The Stony Hill P.T.A. has, in its short existence, furnished draperies for the auditorium windows -- sponsored cake sales -- sponsored the production of "My Three Angels" by the Wilbraham Community Theatre and has published the Town Directories. Half of the United P.T.A. Scholarship Fund is provided by the Stony Hill P.T.A. One of the favorites of the school is the Family Night Supper put on by P.T.A. members.

WILBRAHAM ACADEMY

Founded in Newmarket, N. H. in 1817 by the Methodist Church as Wesleyan Academy, the school was among the first to open its doors to students of every color and creed.

In 1824, the Academy was moved to its present location in Wilbraham where it grew and flourished in this historic center of Methodism. Its first principal was Willbur Fisk, who later became first president of Wesleyan University.

In 1908, the name was changed to Wilbraham Academy, and, in 1912 the school, which had hitherto been coeducational, limited its enrollment to boys preparing for college. Also dur-

Rich Hall, Wilbraham Academy

ing this era the close connection with the Methodist Church ceased, and the school became non-demoninational.

From essentially a New England school, Wilbraham Academy has today spread its influence across the land, with alumni residing in every part of the country, and with 275 students from 20 states and 11 foreign countries. Recent additions and renovations to the physical plant have resulted in the present spacious and well equipped campus.

WILBRAHAM SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS

Cultural and educational opportunities, charity, good will and good fellowship are among the benefits this Town derives from its social and service groups. Their response to any need or emergency is always prompt, unfailing and generous.

WILBRAHAM GRANGE

The Wilbraham Grange is the oldest fraternal organization in Wilbraham. Formed on January 25, 1888, the Grange is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee concurrently with the Town's bicentennial.

A Main Street Landmark, the Foskit Memorial Grange Hall was donated by Mrs. Lucia Foskit, and was dedicated on February 27, 1901. The hall has been a center for community events down through the years, being the scene of "many spirited town meetings," and being used by three local churches at one time or another.

Originally starting with 30 members, the Grange has

These Grange members, dressed in costumes of the 1890's, blend their voices in harmony at their anniversary event. Left to right are Mrs. Ethel Dunsmoor, Mr. Dunsmoor, Mrs. May Jenkins, Davis Bliss, Mrs. Holton Pease and Mr. Pease.

grown until today it has over 200 members, from ages 14 to 80. Community betterment is the purpose of the Grange: while yesteryear's dues were earmarked for "oiling the roads", today's money goes towards a project designed to improve roadside mailboxes.

Many important services have been rendered by the Grange: The town's first ambulance was made a reality by the Grange's efforts; a memorial flagpole and plaque to World War II veterans was donated and placed at Memorial School.

Wilbraham Grange is one of more than 7,000 Granges in the United States whose members seek "a community family organization to improve the economic status of rural people and provide an opportunity for social and cultural progress."

Grange Officers for the year of 1963 include: Master, Ernest Jefferson; Overseer, Mitchell Kowynia; Lecturer,

Mrs. George Canney and Mrs. Ernest Furnans Jr. of the Wilbraham Women's Club are shown in an early Maxwell of the same era as the founding of the Club in 1905. Mr. C. S. Giles, owner of the car, is furnishing the power.

Dudley Bliss Sr.; Assistant Lecturer May Jenkins; Steward, Francis Bennett; Assistant Steward Kenneth Bliss; Chaplain, Madella Pease; Treasurer, Holton Pease; Secretary, Evelyn Bliss; Gatekeeper, Clayton Pease; Ceres, Nellie Dunsmoor; Pomona, Helen Pearson; Flora, Helen Barna; Lady Assistant Steward, Marilyn Olson; Pianist, Nellie Olson and Home and Community Chairman, Mrs. Clara Elkas.

WILBRAHAM WOMEN'S CLUB

In January, 1905, sixteen Wilbraham women organized the "ladies mission", the beginning of the Wilbraham Women's Club. Six months later, it adopted a constitution and by laws giving it the name "World Wide Study Club", its purpose being to study Local and World-wide history.

The first Fourth-of-July community picnic, held in 1907, was so successful that it became an annual event.

The Club gradually started work on civic betterments: a study of school conditions, cleaner roadsides and streets, and aid and support to the Public Library. The name was shortened to "Study Club" in 1909, and the Club joined the State Federation of Women's Clubs in 1910. During World War I, the Club did much relief work, and formed a Red Cross Unit.

1925 saw the entrance of the present Wilbraham Garden Club as the "Garden Study Group" of the Study Club, and as more members joined, the interests spread into the fields of music, literature, and dramatics.

In 1928, the Club joined the General Federation of Women's

Clubs, and in 1936 adopted its present name. The Club has to its Credit the formation of the Dental Clinic, the Well-Child Clinic, the Wilbraham PTA, and local garbage disposal; all of which are now independent of the Club. The Club is a member of the Minnechaug Regional Scholarship Fund Foundation, to which it makes a cash donation each year. Though the group has grown to three hundred members from the original sixteen, the purpose is still the same: "To promote cordial co-operation among women, and to contribute to the civic life of the community,"

SOUTH END NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB

The South End Neighborhood Club was formed in 1912 to promote greater sociability among the ladies of the neighborhood in the south end of town - - that part extending from Monson Road to the Hampden line. The Club, over 50 years old, has met at least once a month at members homes on the third Thursday of each month.

Officers of the South End Neighborhood Club include: President, Mrs. John Getchell; Vice President, Mrs. Edith Houghton; Secretary, Mrs. Charles W. Martin; Treasurer, Mrs. Louis Rogers.

Mrs. Dora Rice, Charter member of the South End Neighborhood Club showing the original Secretary's book to Mrs. John Getchell, President of the organization.

GLENDALE CLUB

No early records of the Glendale Home Department Group of the Hampden County Improvement League are available, however the group is thought to have begun in 1913, the first meeting being a canning demonstration held in the home of Miss Evanore O. Beebe.

The first records extend from 1934. it was during this year that the "Order of Pearls" was formed. Any lady serving as an officer or leader in the group for ten years, receives a strand of pearls. So far, about seven members have received this award, representing well over seventy years of service to the area.

Since 1946, accurate records of the activities of the group have been kept, and some of the most popular projects have been "Chair Caning, Dress Making, Rug Making and Food Preparation," Meetings are held in the Glendale Community House, or the members' homes, with an average attendance of 13.

The present Officers of this group are: Mrs. Mary Wessells, Chairman; Mrs. Alice Bennett, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Ruth Stedman, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. Katherine Patric, Ex. Com. Member; Mrs. Beatrice Luff, Asst. Com. Member.

Members of the Glendale Home Department Group. Seated left to right are Mrs Sidney Low, Mrs. Wm. Richmond Jr Mrs. Ruth Stedman Mrs Clifford Patric. Standing are Mrs. Harvey Collins, Mrs. Richard Poulin, Mrs. Silvio Gendron, Mrs. Charles Smith and Mrs. Eugene Wessells.

Members of the North Wilbraham Social Club. Seated are Emma Bower, Clara Ellis, Letty Keyes, Mira Berry, Agnes Eldridge. Standing are Elsie Samble, Clara Bradway, Mary Wessells, Irene Wright, Letty Farnham and Lillian Simmington.

NORTH WILBRAHAM SOCIAL CLUB

In 1922, a group of women from the Grace Union Church began to meet in each other's homes for social gatherings. At one of these meetings, on December 2, 1924, the group decided to call itself the North Wilbraham Social Club, and to have lunch, play cards, and take a collection to use to help the needy and the shut-ins of the town. The group has met every two weeks since then, and each May takes a trip to one of the local eating places for their Annual Luncheon. There have been about twelve members, three have been in the club since it started. The club members feel that "Old Friendships are True Friendships."

Officers of this Club are: Mrs. Elsie Samble, President; Mrs. Clara Bradway, Secretary-Treasurer.

4H CLUB

The Wilbraham 4H began during World War I, when Edward Pickens was given a patriotic award "To root the Kaiser out of the trenches." This award was for having the State Champion Pig!

The 4H has been continuously active since that time Today there are over seventy-five Wilbraham young people actively participating in Horse Club, Dog Obediance Club,

Advanced Sewing, Cooking, Knitting, and many other worthwhile projects.

The Wilbraham 4H is sponsored by the Wilbraham Women's Club. The Town Chairman is Mrs. R. H. Beach Jr., Members of the Committee include Mrs. Herman Grandchamp; Mrs. Harold Storey; Mrs. W. R. Hannah; Mrs. John Madiera.

CHAPTER #214, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

On October 19, 1929, a meeting was held in the old Masonic Hall, which stood on the corner of Main and Springfield Streets. Sixty-three interested people had petitioned to form an O.E.S. chapter in Wilbraham, and at this meeting, it was decided to name the chapter Wilbraham Chapter, as there is no other town bearing the name Wilbraham in the United States. On October 26 of the same year, the Wilbraham Chapter, O.E.S. was instituted as the two-hundred-fourteenth chapter in

Masonic Officers of Chapter 214 Eastern Star include, left to right, Mr. Norman Ellis, Mrs. Walter K. Woods Jr., Mrs. Henry Dautrich and Mr. Henry Dautrich.

Past Presidents of the Wilbraham Lions Club. Seated left to right are Irving Cordner, William Sullivan Jr., Walter V. Salustri, Jesse Canerdy. Standing are Henry Bauch, Robert A. Edwards, Henry Dautrich and Roger T. Hintze.

the Massachusetts jurisdiction. The Charter was signed by the fifty original members. This same charter is in the possession of every Worthy Matron while she serves. Fourteen of these Charter Members are still active members.

The Chapter has had four different homes in its history; for twenty-nine years, the meetings were held in the old Masonic Temple. After 1958, when the Temple was demolished, the Chapter met in the Fireplace Room of the Wilbraham United Church. In March, 1960 the Chapter moved to the Grace Union Parish House and finally moved into its present home, the New Masonic Temple, on Woodland Dell Road.

In its thirty-three years of existence, the Chapter has stood for charity, truth, and loving kindness, and has contributed greatly to the fraternal life of the town.

Wilbraham Public Library

WILBRAHAM LIONS CLUB

The Wilbraham Lions Club is dedicated to community service. Since its formation, the club has undertaken the building of Memorial Field, the providing of playground equipment for both Memorial and Stony Hill School Playgrounds, an Annual Children's Halloween Party, and the undertaking and support of Sight Conservation Programs at Local, District and State Levels. In addition to all of these worthwhile projects, the Wilbraham Lions Club has provided all respiratory equipment used by the local Police and Fire Departments.

Perhaps the most greatly appreciated project, has been the long-range planning and building of Spec Pond Recreational Area. Through the foresight and hard work of the Lions Club, Wilbraham has one of the finest recreational facilities in Western Massachusetts.

In the fall of 1946, a group of men, under the sponsorship of the Lions Club of Ludlow, joined together to organize a local service club. The organization was officially chartered by Lions International on December 2, 1946.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Almost fifty years ago, on the 18th of June in 1913, the present library building was opened to the citizens of Wilbraham. Victorian in style, with a French roof, it was formerly the home of Henry Cutler who gave the property to the town.

Wilbraham's first library was founded in 1782 in Solomon Warriner's home. In 1892 a "Free Public Library" was housed

in Schoolhouse #3. The library has always had friends, but five years ago the "Friends of the Library" formed as a group dedicated to helping the library trustees and staff, and publicizing the needs of the library as well as its events and activities.

In March of this year the "Friends" sponsored the play Our Town by Thornton Wilder, put on by the Wilbraham Community Theatre. Proceeds went to the Wilbraham Library Foundation, a trust fund set up in November, 1962, for the ultimate purchase of land and/or buildings for a new library to meet the town's rapidly growing needs. Already the Foundation has found the response from Wilbraham residents most gratifying.

WILBRAHAM HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

This association was organized in 1957 to promote the well being of the members as a group; to organize it's social activities; and to promote physical improvements in their area. Forty-five families are now resident members of the Organization.

The major project of the Association is the playground now being developed in the area. To date the land, originally a heavily wooded area, has been cleared, graded and seeded. All expenses have been met by the Association and most of the work done on a volunteer basis.

The Association sponsors two social events annually: a dinner dance and block dance.

President of the Association is Mr. John Lempart. Vice president, Mr. John Bulger; Secretary, Beverly Mayer; Treas-

The Hampden County Symphony Group at Monday night rehearsal.

Wilbraham Girl Scouts

urer, Mr. Henry Kszepka. The Directors include Mr. Edmund Langevin, Mrs. Agnes Giokas and Mr. Armand Peltier.

HAMPDEN COUNTY SYMPHONY

The Hampden County Symphony was formed in January 1963 under the direction of James F. Starkie, instrumental music teacher at Minnechaug Regional High School. The Orchestra, part of the high school Adult Education Program, was designed to bring together a group of interested adults into a musical organization of orchestral size.

Consisting of about sixty members, the orchestra meets on Monday nights in order to rehearse and play standard orchestra literature.

The group has been very successful to date. They plan to reorganize after summer vacation, at which time plans will be made for a spring concert.

Boy Scout Troup 359

GIRL SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Girl Scouting started in Wilbraham thirty-seven years ago in 1926. The troop, the Pine Cone Troop #1, was sponsored by the Good Will Club of Wilbraham. The first troop of fifteen girls was led by Mrs. George P. Rice.

In 1962 the Wilbraham and Hampden Neighborhoods combined to become the Minnechaug Neighborhood. At present there are fifty active leaders and nineteen troops with four hundred and twenty-five girls in regular attendance.

The fall of 1963 will see a nation-wide program change in Girl Scouting. Under the present plan there are Brownies, grades two and three; Juniors, grades four five and six; Cadets, grades seven, eight and nine; and Seniors, grades ten, eleven and twelve.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA TROUP 359

Saint Cecilia's Men's Club is the sponsor of Boy Scout Troop 359. Meeting at the Old Saint Cecilia's Church each Thursday evening from 7:00-9:00 P.M., the troop functions twelve months a year with a varied program, including special emphasis on hiking and camping. The troop is now in its fourth year of operation with an active membership of about thirty boys.

The troop has completed the planning and training for a second fifty-mile hike. The first one in 1961 was along the Appalachian Trail from Great Barrington to Mount Greylock near North Adams. This year's nine-day event will be in the White Mountains sometime during the latter part of the summer.

The leadership of the troop includes Scoutmaster Robert Clark; Assistant Scoutmasters Rudolph Bukowski and Edward Szustak; and Junior Assistant Scoutmasters David Newson, William Clark, Richard Moynahan and Richard Labossiere.

BOY SCOUTS TROUP 177

Troop 177 was chartered by its sponsor, the Men's Club of the Wilbraham United Church, on December 31, 1954. Mr. Charles Bradley, President of the Men's Club, served as the first Troop Committee Chairman; Mr. William Shortell as Institutional Representative; and Mr. Truman R. Swallow as Scoutmaster, assisted by Mr. Robert Carter.

The troop meets on Monday nights from 7:00-9:00 P.M. at the United Church, carrying out an active program of indoor and outdoor scouting activities.

The Troop Committee Chairman for 1963 is Mr. George Allison; the Institutional Representative is Mr. Harvey Collins; and Committee members are Mr. Myron Hitchcock, Mr. William Collins Jr., Mr. Harold Swetland and Mr. Joseph Williams.

CUB SCOUTS PACK 175

Cub Scout Pack 175, under the sponsorship of the Memorial School P.T.A., received its charter on February 28, 1953. During the ten years of its existence the Pack has grown from 29 Cubs in 1953 to 78 at the present time.

Guided by an intensely interested and energetic Pack Committee, Den Mothers and Den Fathers, and an able Cub Master, Pack 175 is preparing Cub Scouts for participation in the full activities of Boy Scouting.

In addition to weekly Den Meetings, where skits are prepared and Den projects worked on, Cub Pack 175 meets once a month to share these skits and projects and to recognize the projects of individual Cubs through various levels of Cub Scouting.

This Bicentennial year will see Pack 175 as host to all other Cub Packs in the Algonquin District in a Cub Car Derby, to be run in town in May. This Cub-Dad project is expected to be the highlight of the Pack year.

SEA EXPLORER SHIP ONE

Sea Scout Ship One was organized in 1958 under the sponsorship of the Edward Pease Post #418 of the American Legion. The boys meet every Thursday night at the Legion

"Winter Wonderland in Wilbraham" by the Wilbraham Camera Club

"The Theatre"
by Mrs. George J. Moore Jr.

Hall from 7:00 - 9:00 P.M. During the nice weather seasons they meet at the Springfield Yacht Club.

The group has a forty foot Navy Motor Launch called the the S.E.S. SALTONSTALL, in which they take trips on the Connecticut River from Holyoke to Hartford.

The Sea Explorers provide interesting and worthwhile activities for older boys who are no longer Boy Scouts but wish to continue scouting.

WILBRAHAM HOBBY CLUBS

The Town of Wilbraham is fortunate in having three hobby groups operating for the benefit of the Community

CAMERA CLUB

This club was started three years ago by several local and nearby photographers. Within three years it has grown to a membership of 88. It s aim is to teach members how to take better pictures, to enjoy good programs that teach and enter-

Members of the Children's Dance Theatre, Wilbraham

tain. It endeavors to promote photography in youth as much as possible.

The meetings are held in Stony Hill School the third Friday of each month except when school is on vacation.

WILBRAHAM COMMUNITY THEATER

In it s first year, 1962, the fledgling Wilbraham Community Theatre presented three plays, "Arsenic and Old Lace", "The Devil and Daniel Webster", and "My Three Angels". All three were produced as benefits for other community organizations.

The Theatre's first production this spring, "Our Town", by Thornton Wilder, was a benefit for the Library Trust Fund. This play of small town life at the turn of the century was chosen especially to fit into the Bicentennial theme, and was the Theatre's contribution to the Bicentennial year.

The purpose of the Wilbraham Community Theatre is to develop community interest in the dramatic arts with special emphasis on the living theatre.

Wilbraham Country Club

CHILDREN'S DANCE THEATRE

Ballet and Ballroom dance classes have filled a part of many Wilbraham children's lives since 1936 when Mrs. Johnson opened her first classes. These classes were held in the old United Church dining room on Friday afternoons.

After two seasons the children's classes became a project of the Women's Guild of the Wilbraham United Church. When Memorial School was built, the ballroom classes moved to the new school as a project of the Parent Teachers Association.

WILBRAHAM COUNTRY CLUB

The Wilbraham Country Club was organized and incorporated in 1937 after the collapse of the Stony Hill Country Club. On the land stands a fine old colonial farm which has been reconverted to serve as a Club House, including shower rooms, locker rooms, "pro" shop and cart house for the members.

During the war and depression years the club could not hire any outside help to keep the Club in good order, so the members chipped in and did the work. Some of the original members were: Attorney Ernest W. Garman, who represented Stony Hill Corporation; Cummings L. Lothrop, the printer; Olin D. Roats, Counsel for the Federal Land Bank; William J. Schlatter, the florist; and George M. Burgess, proprietor of P. and B. Engraving Company.

R. A. EDWARDS

F. G. SHANNIS

To Our Towns People:

This letter is both an invitation and an expression of gratitude.

It is our pleasant privilege to extend an invitation to every resident of Wilbraham - and to all your friends - to attend and to participate in the many exciting activities planned to celebrate our town's Bicentennial.

The complete program is contained in this brochure, and is the result of the combined efforts of a representative and devoted group of townspeople.

What they have done here in Wilbraham illustrates what can be achieved when people work together in a genuine spirit of cooperation, without regard for the differences that often divide one man from another. In a sense, there is a lesson here for all to learn.

Everyone who has shared in the preparations for this Bicentennial has earned our gratitude. Committee members and committee chairmen have carried out their responsibilities enthusiastically, and additional members of our community have been immediately responsive to the calls made upon them.

We sincerely believe you and your friends will find our Bicentennial Celebration not only rewarding but thoroughly enjoyable, and that in years to come we will all look back to this event as a most memorable occasion.

With all good wishes.

Robert G. Edwards

General Chairman

Frank G. Shannis

Program Chairman

BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION PROGRAM

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY - JANUARY 25

8:00 P.M. — 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Wilbraham Grange-Grange Hall

TUESDAY - MARCH 5

3:00 P.M. — Town Seal Contest - Judging - Memorial Junior High School

SATURDAY - MARCH 16

Adoption of Official Town Seal at Town Meeting - Minnechaug High School

FRIDAY and SATURDAY - MARCH 22 and 23

8:00 P.M. — Play "OUR TOWN" by Wilbraham Community Theater-Minnechaug High School

SATURDAY - APRIL 20

8:30 P.M. — Policemen's Bicentennial Ball - Minnechaug High School

FRIDAY - MAY 3

8:00 P.M. — Western Mass. Music Festival-Wilbraham Schools Auditions - Minnechaug High School - Remarks - Mr. Roger T. Hintze, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. Celebration Greetings - Hon. Charles V. Ryan, Mayor of Springfield

SATURDAY - MAY 4

2:15 P.M. — Parade - Western Mass. Music Festival - School Bands

BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION PROGRAM

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MONDAY through SATURDAY - MAY 6 through 11

Men's Candlepin Tournament - Wilbraham Community League - Indian Orchard Bowling Lanes

SATURDAY - MAY 11

1:00-5:00 P.M. "Blossom Time Home Tour" - Mothers' Club - United Church

1:00 P.M. "Cub Car Derby" Algonquin District Preliminaries - Cub Scout Pack #175 - Main Street and Oakland Street

SATURDAY - MAY 18

"Cub Car Derby" Algonquin District Finals - Main Street and Oakland Street

MONDAY through FRIDAY - MAY 20 through 24

Women's Candlepin Tournament - Indian Orchard Bowling Lanes

FRIDAY - MAY 24

8:00 P.M. Historical Pageant - "SPRINGFIELD MOUNTAIN" - featuring Bill Bonyun, noted folk singer - Hosage Indians - Revolutionary drum and fife - 200 townspeople - Minnechaug High School

SATURDAY - MAY 25

2:00 & 8:00 P.M. Historical Pageant - "SPRINGFIELD MOUNTAIN

BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION PROGRAM

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY - MAY 29

2:30 - 4:30 P.M.	Silver Tea and Exhibit - Wilbraham Groups of Home Department - Hampden County Improvement League - Glendale Community House

SATURDAY - JUNE 1

9:00 A.M.	Track and Field Meet - A.A.U. - Minnechaug High School

SUNDAY - JUNE 2

2:00 P.M.	Baseball Jamboree - Scantic Valley Pony League - Grassy Hollow
	Youth Festival Program - Minnechaug High School
3:30 P.M.	"Miss Wilbraham"-Judging of the queen and her court
4:30 P.M.	Festival of Dance, Art and Music presented by young people

SUNDAY - JUNE 9

2:30 P.M.	Recognition Social - Reception in honor of longtime residents of Wilbraham - Wilbraham Academy - (Attendance limited by invitation)
2:30 P.M.	Golf Exhibition - Wilbraham Country Club

BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION PROGRAM

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY - JUNE 14

11:00 - 9:00 P.M.	Arts and Crafts Exhibit - Wilbraham Women's Club - Chamberlain Building - Wilbraham Academy
8:30 P.M.	Bicentennial Ball -Music by Ralph Stuart and his orchestra -Crowning of "Miss Wilbraham" - Minnechaug High School

SATURDAY - JUNE 15

10:00 A.M.	Horseshoe Tournament - Minnechaug High School
11:00 - 9:00 P.M.	Arts and Crafts Exhibit

SATURDAY - JUNE 15

2:00 P.M.	Palomino Polo Match -Riendeau Farm - Federal Lane
2:00 P.M.	Colt League Baseball - Minnechaug High School
	Family Program - Minnechaug High School
4:00 - 7:00 P.M.	Town Supper - Outdoor Barbecue for all townspeople
7:00 P.M.	Opening of Capsule - 1913 Presentation of Awards Judging of "Brothers of the Brush"
8:00 P.M.	Community Sing
9:00 P.M.	Fireworks display

Town of Wilbraham

1763 to 1963

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, *in this year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three, the Town of Wilbraham in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will complete two hundred years of corporate existence;*

Whereas, *we, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Wilbraham, deem it a duty and a privilege to lead our town in the commemoration of this our bi-centennial anniversary, and proudly dedicate ourselves to the cause of making this the beginning of another era marked with progress and prosperity for our community and its people;*

Now, *therefore, we hereby invite our townspeople to have fitting and joyful celebration during this anniversary year, and in particular during the periods which are set aside for special events;*

And *we, therefore, subscribe our names to this proclamation on this 14th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred and sixty-three.*

TOWN OF WILBRAHAM, INCORPORATED 1763. MASSACHUSETTS.

Richard L. Danforth
Roger T. Fritz
Jesse L. Rice

Officers of the Pioneer Valley Pony Club include, left to right, Debbie Harris, President; Denise Butler, Treasurer; Carol Woods, Secretary; and Charmagne Lees, Vice President.

However, now the Club is successful and many improvements have been made. Much of this success is due to the club Pro, Allan Mackintosh, who has been with the course since 1930.

Today the membership numbers 225. The membership is full and the Club has a long waiting list. The dues are: Active members $100.00; Associate members (wives) $75.00; Junior members $25.00, and Social members $30.00. The entrance fee for Active members is $100.00 and for Associate members is $50.00.

The following Officers and Directors were elected at the annual meeting; President (sixth term) Raymond W. Hunt; Treasurer, Howard C. Johnson; Secretary and Asst. Treas., Ernest W. Carman; Directors, Mark B. Cowles, Paul K. Sowden, Marguerite E. Martin, Gabriel Antony, John W. Stearns, Herbert L. Sanborn, John J. Boyle. The Officers also serve as Directors.

PIONEER VALLEY PONY CLUB

The Pioneer Valley Pony Club has thirty-nine members from all of Hampden County and some Connecticut communities. There are Pony Clubs all over the world and it now has become the largest riding club in existence, with over 40,000 members.

The main purpose of the club is to encourage young people to ride and enjoy the many phases of horsemanship.

Miss Gail Riendeau, Junior Leader of the Wilbraham Ridge Riders Club, rides "Mr. Chip" in a Polo Contest.

Proper care of animals is stressed and instruction is provided to the riders. Through this the Club promotes good sportsmanship and helps to cultivate strength of character and self-discipline. Weekly rallies are held at the farms of Lucien Riendeau and Walter Clark. The members have constructed two rings, a hunt course and are presently making a cross-country course over the two farms.

The District Commissioner is Mrs. Carl Pease of Belchertown, and the Chief Instructor is Miss Jo. Cotter. The officers for the present year are: Deborah Harris, President; Charmagne Lees, Vice-President; Carol Woods, Secretary, and Denise Butler, Treasurer.

WILBRAHAM RIDGE RIDERS HORSE CLUB

The Wilbraham Ridge Riders Horse Club was organized in 1952 by a small group of parents who were interested in teaching the children stable management and developing the prin-

Edward Pease Post - American Legion

ciples of sportsmanship and citizenship. Bi-monthly meetings are held under the leadership of Lucien Riendeau to put these principles into practice by participating in community affairs and by sponsoring the annual Wilbraham Youth Show, the proceeds of which are donated to a worthy cause, such as the Melha Temple, Mounted Patrol or the Lions Club.

Future plans include a horse show in the fall, a yearly trail ride and several field trips to area stables.

EDWARD PEASE POST - AMERICAN LEGION.

The Edward Pease Post of the American Legion was organized on October 3, 1947 with 18 charter members. Due to the increase in the number of Wilbraham veterans, it was felt that the town could support a second Legion Post.

The Post was named after Edward Pease, one of several Wilbraham residents who gave his life for his country during the war.

In 1949, the Post moved to its present home, the former "Mile Tree" schoolhouse from the Grange Hall. At that time, the building had not been used as a school for twenty years and was badly in need of repairs. After much work, the building was put back into shape, and the Post at last had a "home"

The Edward Pease Post has sponsored an old time

Officers of the Wilbraham Republican Town Committee include Mrs. Albert C. Christensen, Recording Secretary and Charles Merrick, Chairman. Standing are George Canney, Vice Chairman and Franklin T. Richardson, Treasurer.

Fourth of July Field Day program for the town's children for the past 14 years, and since 1947 has held appropriate ceremonies on Memorial Day along with North Wilbraham Post 286. It has sponsored a Boy Scout Troup, and presently sponsors Explorer Scout Ship 1.

WILBRAHAM POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS

Plato and Socrates, the ancient Greek philosophers, in the early 400's B.C. began talking about the use of political science as a means for solving problems of that era. To some extent in this 20th century and the occasion of this town's bicentennial, the local committees of the dominant political parties, Republican and Democratic use similar means.

REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE

The Republican Town Committee, composed of thirty-five elected, one Honorary and twenty-nine associate members, is dedicated "To the principles of the Republican party and is vitally interested in present problems and the future development of the town"

The committee devotes all its energies to obtaining and electing qualified and civic-minded people as Republican candidates for town offices. Along with its many volunteer

Officers of the Democratic Women's Club. Seated are Mrs. Francis Mell, Treasurerl Mrs. Eileen Connor, President. Standing are Mrs. Mary King, Corresponding Secretary and Mrs. Barbara Szustak, Vice President. Mrs. Joyce Smola, Recording Secretary, was absent for the picture.

workers, the committee has consistently demonstrated party strength during all local, state and national election campaigns. Monthly meetings are held and others scheduled as required.

Through its many efforts, the committee claims it has come to know the deep satisfaction of having contributed toward making Wilbraham a community second to none in the Commonwealth.

Officers of the committee in this town's historic 200th anniversary year are: Chairman Charles L Merrick, Vice-Chairman George C. Canney, Treasurer F. Thayer Richardson, Recording-Secretary Mrs. Albert C. Christensen, and Corresponding-Secretary Charles H. Sheline.

DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE

In addition to the Democratic Town Committee a Wilbraham Democratic Women's Club is active. Both groups are dedicated

Wilbraham Board of Selectmen. Mr. Sidney Low, Mr. Roger T. Hintze, Chairman, and Mr. Jesse Rice.

to fostering, strengthening and promoting the goals and interests of the Democratic party in this community. Through the joint efforts of the groups there has been a marked increase in the number of registered Democrats the past few years.

The Town Committee presently records 31 voting members and permits an unlimited number of associate members. Besides the work of the committee during all elections, it has monthly meetings, exclusive of July and August, and conducts two socials each year, a family picnic and a dance.

Present officers of the committee are, Chairman Stanley Peczka, Vice-Chairman Francis H. Scott-Smith, Recording-Secretary Edward Szustak and Treasurer Mrs. Bernice Connelly.

The Democratic Women's Club, organized in 1962, is the first such unit of its kind to hold a charter in this community. Membership is confined to local women who are registered Democrats. Many successful socials have been conducted by the group.

The Club's first and current President is Mrs. Eileen Connor. Other officers are, Vice-President Mrs. Barbara

Members of the Wilbraham Police Department. Left to right are Mr. Newton Goewey, Sgt. John Chrzanowski, Chief John S. Leary, Alton Mc Donald and Steven Lopata.

Szustak, Corresponding-Secretary Mrs. Mary Ellen King, Recording-Secretary Mrs. Joyce Smola, and Treasurer Mrs. Frances Mell.

WILBRAHAM TOWN OFFICES

After electing Moderator Lt. Thomas Myrick and Clerk Ezra Barker at the first town meeting, August 25, 1763, Wilbraham chose its first group of selectmen and other officials, thus beginning a chain of elections that has continued unbroken for 200 years. Latest of the selectmen to serve our town are Roger Hintze, whose current term began in 1961; Jesse Rice, last elected in 1962; and Sidney Low, 1963.

In addition to its elected officials, Wilbraham supports two of the finest protective groups of their types, the Police and Fire Departments.

WILBRAHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Although their efficiency belies the fact, both the Wilbraham Police Department and the Wilbraham Auxiliary Police are comparative newcomers to town, since both were organized in 1955. In that year, the Selectmen appointed a retired Army Colonel, James P. Powers, as head of a supplementary uniformed Special Police Force; later that fall, the Auxiliary organ-

Wilbraham School Traffic Officers. Mrs. Alice Christensen, Mrs. Mary Strycharz and Mrs. Marjorie Goewey.

ized with Captain Willian Pollitt as its head.

The Police and Auxiliary have always worked together. The first police cruiser began its 7:00 P.M. to 3:00 A.M. night patrol in May, 1955, and many an Auxiliary Policemen has ridden as "second man" since the fall of 1955 when the 50,000-miles-a-year cruiser patrols began.

Both Police groups have seen many changes during their first eight years of existence, and both have increased their skills and effectiveness through extensive training. Courses in traffic control and police procedures have been held for the Auxiliary with co-operation from the Springfield Police.

Headed first by Col. Powers, the Police Department was later under the direction of Captain Robert Dietz. In 1959, when Capt. Dietz resigned, a new post--Chief of Police--was created, and William Pollitt served as Chief until his death in December, 1962. Former Massachusetts State Trooper John S. Leary was appointed to the position in January, 1963. The Auxiliary is now led by Sergeants John J. Connor, Ralph M. Kilcourse, Emeric J. Wyzik, and Wellington C. Rose, the latter one of the original leaders of this Auxiliary unit.

Both Police and Auxiliary Police are aided by the School Traffic Officers. This group was first organized in 1958 and now numbers three women who have been trained in traffic control and direction, motor vehicle laws, ordinances and regulations, public relations, court procedures, and first aid.

WILBRAHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

Having an excellent fire department in town means extra pocket money! Wilbraham homeowners learned this within the past two years when their fire insurance premiums were lowered. The decreased premium rates came about when the New England Rating Bureau, recognizing the efficiency and ability of the Wilbraham Fire Department, raised the town from a Class D-7 to a Class C-6 fire risk. Thus came official recognition of a fact long known to townspeople and firefighters of other communities--that Wilbraham's Fire Department is one of the best.

It is no exaggeration to say that much of the department's success is due to the efforts of Chief Ralph E. Tupper, head of the department for half of his 40 years of service. Chief Tupper has seen and helped his department grow from a typical small-town, one-truck, one-station, all-volunteer outfit to its present modern state. Now comprising four pumpers (two custom built to Wilbraham specifications); a 1000-gallon tanker; a rescue unit and ambulance; two stations; regular call firemen and a fine Auxiliary organization, our Wilbraham Fire Department is well-equipped for handling our town's fire-fighting requirements.

The 1763 elections included such unique offices as Tithing Man, Deer Reeve, and Sealer of Leather, some of a dozen positions filled by vote at the first town meeting. As time went by, Wilbraham's elected offices no longer were so simply filled; currently, a voter must choose public officials capable of handling a wide variety of tasks as this list shows:

Wilbraham Fire Department

TOWN OFFICES

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare
Roger T. Hintze, Chairman
Jesse L. Rice
Sidney Low

Town Collector
Mark E. Reynolds

Town Clerk
Doris G. Cochran

Town Treasurer
Doris G. Cochran

Assessors
Harold K. Jones, Chairman
Allan R. Kinney
Edward H. Godfrey

School Committee
Alexander W. Marco, Chairman
Harry J. Dabagian
Ethel M. Musselman
Dr. Clayton L. Thomas
Bruce A. Stephens

Auditor
Spencer W. Moore

Tree Warden
Gordon Long

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WILBRAHAM INDUSTRIES

Among the first implements of industry in Wilbraham were doubtless the hoe and spade followed by the plow and the hand spinning wheel. It is to be expected that business enterprises should grow out of home industries.

As early as 1764 a grist mill was built in North Wilbraham at 11 Mile Brook and nearby in 1803 a wool carding machine was put into operation. Woolen mills appeared later on streams in the south end of town. Tweed, cassimere, doeskin and satinet were manufactured. From early records we learn that in 1837 there were 2392 sheep in Wilbraham and that the wool produced that year was valued at $3668. Gradually the sheep population of the town diminished. The buildings were no longer used and they have long since disappeared, probably among the terrible toll of buildings destroyed by fire in those days.

Potash works and tanneries were added to the industrial efforts of the town. In 1837 shoes and boots valued at $8498 were made.

Attracted by favorable railroad facilities and available water power were two interprises which greatly influenced the development and growth of North Wilbraham. In 1872 the Collins Paper Company was established and in 1877 Mr. Henry Cutler brought his grain and milling business to Wilbraham. The paper company eventually became part of the Whiting chain of paper interests. During its best years, the Cutler Company shipped out a daily average of eight carloads of flour and grain.

Although not located in Wilbraham, the Ludlow Manufacturing Associates, makers of hemp rope and other hemp products, and first established in 1815, made a large contribution to the growth of the north end of town.

Tobacco growing was a considerable industry from 1850 to 1880. Crops were sold and delivered to Connecticut dealers. Eventually the demand was for a lighter colored leaf and, as only a dark shade could be grown in Wilbraham soil, the industry came to an end.

In the 1860's two cheese factories were started in town, providing a market for a large amount of milk from local farms. However, after a few years, cheese making proved to be unpro-

fitable and both factories were forced to go out of business. After that for ten or fifteen years, milk from Wilbraham was sent to Springfield; about 1200 quarts were taken in daily.

An industry which has grown and flourished in a most satisfactory way is the raising of peaches. Wilbraham peaches have long been considered the most superior in color and flavor. After several years of experimenting, in 1897 Mr. Ethelbert Bliss established the first permanent orchard and harvested a fine crop of 1000 baskets of peaches from 1400 trees. The second and third years the crop was doubled. Today peaches and apples of the finest quality are grown on Wilbraham hillsides. Each year between 25,000 and 30,000 baskets of peaches and many more apples are sold.

Certainly a fine private school is a business asset to any community. Wilbraham Academy first opened in 1825 and by 1837 the enrollment was reported as "upwards of 300 pupils, 190 males and 114 females". For many years, possibly over one-half of the students boarded or had rooms in private homes. In September 1912 the school opened the fall term as a School for Boys. Since World War II a number of fine buildings have been added to the beautiful campus.

In 1955 the Ludlow Savings Bank set up a branch bank in town, a business which has grown favorably and served the town well.

In 1959 the Friendly Ice Cream Corporation established its production and administrative headquarters in Wilbraham. The fine product made here is distributed to the sixty-nine Ice Cream Shops in Massachusetts and Connecticut operated by the Company. This flourishing business with its graciously attractive and modern buildings is a great asset and is pointed out with pride by the townspeople.

On Boston Road we find enterprises which would indeed be difficult to explain to the townsfolk of 200 years ago, a motel, a drive-in theatre, bowling alleys, restaurants and a potato chip factory. Building and construction needs for the area are supplied by lumber, sand, gravel and cement companies.

Since World War II housing developments have been a major industry. Hundreds of houses have appeared on the choicest sites. Most of the developers have built intelligently and with good taste and respect for the surrounding natural beauty.

Many small businesses are ready to serve the prosperous suburban community. There are a modest number of grocery, drug and hardware stores, garages and service stations, poultry businesses, barber shops and beauty salons, private kindergartens and even a taxi service.

OUR SENIOR CITIZENS

We honor them here, as we honor them in our minds and in our hearts, for what they mean to Wilbraham. To these fine people goes much of the credit for staunchly maintaining the high standards set by their ancestors in the building of our beautiful Town. May we all profit by their example and in turn be worthy ourselves of the honor and respect of coming generations.

The following persons have been in continuous residence in the Town of Wilbraham for 45 years or more. Those noted by an asterisk (*) are descendants of the residents of Wilbraham at the time of it's Incorporation in 1763:

Allyn, Mr. Gilbert W. *
Allyn, Mrs. Mabel *
Allyn, Mr. Stanley *
Backus, Mrs. Charles A.
Backus, Mr. Charles A.
Backus, Miss Mary A.
Bacon, Mrs. Elizabeth C. *
Bagienski, Mrs. John
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Bagienski, Mr. Walter
Bak, Mrs. Sophie
Baldwin, Mrs. John
Baldwin, Mr. John F. *
Baldwin, Dr. Joseph V. *
Baldwin, Mr. William V. *
Baldwin, Mrs. William V. *
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Barnes, Mr. Edmond V.
Barnes, Mrs. Edmond V.
Beach, Mrs. Raymond H.
Bednarz, Mrs. John S.
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Bennett, Mr. Roland H. *
Bennett, Mr. Roscoe K. *
Bennett, Mr. Stanley E *
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Clark, Mr. Henry J.
Clark, Mrs. Henry J. *
Clark, Mr. Walter H. *
Collette, Mrs. Albert P.
Converse, Mrs. Howard L.
Coote, Mrs. Thomas W.
Cormack, Mr. Alexander D.
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Cotter, Mrs. John H. *
Cutler, Mrs. H. Willis
Damon, Mrs. Arthur L.
Davis, Mrs. Joseph J
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Dempsey, Mr. Robert C.
Dempsey, Mr. William L.
Dietz, Mrs. Robert C.
Diotalevi, Mr. Leo
Diotalevi, Mrs. Sadie
Diotalevi, Mrs. Teresa
Donovan, Mrs. Irene
Dorey, Mrs. Charles E.
Dougal, Mrs. Peter
Driscoll, Miss Marion
Dubek, Mr. Albert
Eaton, Mr. William H.
Edson, Mr. Clarence E. *
Edson, Mrs. Clarence E.
Edson, Mr. Gardner E. *
Edson, Mr. Henry I. *
Ellis, Mrs. Ruth B.
Ellinwood, Miss Doris E.
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Fey, Mrs. George F. *
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Francis, Mr. Joseph R.
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Golemo, Miss Josephine
Golemo, Mr. Thaddeus
Goodrich, Mrs. Edith
Goodrich, Mr. Leon B.
Green, Mr. G. Milo *
Gruszka, Mrs. Eleanor
Grzebienowski, Miss Anne
Gurney, Mr. Raymond F.
Gurney, Mrs. Raymond F.
Gurski, Mr. John
Gurski, Mrs. John
Gurski, Mr. Joseph W.
Gurski, Mrs. Joseph W.
Herter, Mr. George

Herter, Mr. Henry
Hitchcock, Mrs. Charles B.
Hitchcock, Mr. Myron F. *
Hitchcock, Mrs. Myron F.
Iwaniec, Mrs. Eva
Jakobczyk, Mr. Joseph
Jakobczyk, Mrs. Joseph
Jerome, Mrs. Edward D. Jr.
Keyes, Mrs. George
King, Mrs. Clifford
Kittredge, Mr. Paul H.
Kook, Mrs. Caroline
Kowalczyk, Mrs. Anna
Kubik, Mrs. Bertha
Kwiencinska, Miss Anna
Kwiencinska, Miss Frances
Labody, Mrs. Charles J
La Buda, Mr. Albert
La Buda, Mrs. Albert
La Buda, Mr. Ferdinand
La Buda, Mrs. Ferdinand
La Buda, Mr. Mitchell A.
Laurino, Mr. Thomas E.
Laurino, Mrs. Thomas E.
Litera, Mrs. Mary
Logan, Mrs. James B.
Logan, Mr. James B.
Logan, Mr. William F.
Los, Mr. Frank
Los, Mr. Frederick T.
Los, Mr. Thaddeus
Lynch, Mrs. Bernard M.
Mc Donald, Mrs. Alton
Merrick, Mr. Charles L. *
Misiaszek, Mr. Frank J.
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Misiaszek, Mr. John K.
Morgan, Mrs. Dora
Moskal, Mrs. Frank
Mucha, Mrs. Anna
Murphy, Mr. Harold J.
Murphy, Mrs. Harold J.
Murphy, Mr. Michael
Niejadlik, Mr. John
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Nietupski, Mr. Wallace
Nietupski, Mr. Walter
Nowak, Miss Sophie
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Nowak, Mrs. Frank J.
Nowak, Mrs. John
Obrzut, Mrs. Pauline
Olzewski, Mrs. Agata
Opalinski, Mr. Jacob
Opalinski, Mr. Walter
Opalinski, Mrs. Walter
Orzulak, Mr. John
Orzulak, Mrs. John
Panek, Mr. Leo
Panek, Mrs. Leo
Panek, Mrs. Sophia
Parker, Mrs. Helena
Patrie, Mr. Clarence A.
Pease, Mr. Holten S. *
Pease, Mrs. Holten S.
Pease, Mrs. Josephine
Peczka, Mr. Rudolph F.
Peczka, Mrs. Rudolph F.
Phelps, Mrs. Fred
Phillips, Mr. Ralph C.
Phillips, Mrs. Ralph C.
Pickens, Mr. Everett P.
Piper, Mr. Harry L.
Piscor, Mr. John
Polaczak, Mr. John
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Porter, Miss Helen
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Powers, May K.
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Presz, Mr. Walter M.
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Prue, Mrs. Arthur G.
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Rice, Mrs. Dora
Rice, Mrs. Jesse L. *
Rice, Mr. Wilber J. *
Sackett, Mr. R. J.
Samble, Mrs. N. J.
Sambor, Mrs. Catherine
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Severyn, Mr. Joseph W.
Simmington, Mrs. Vernon W.
Skorupski, Mr. Baltas
Skorupski, Mrs. Baltas
Skorupski, Mr. John
Skorupski, Mr. Stephen
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Skrzynarz, Mrs. Joseph S.
Smola, Mrs. John
Soule, Mr. A. M.
Soule, Miss Gertrude
Sowa, Mrs. Sadie
Sowa, Mrs. Veronica
Stacy, Mr. Gilbert *
Stedman, Mrs. Ruth *
Szczebak, Mr. P. Jacob
Szlosek, Mrs. Michael W.
Szlosek, Mr. Michael W.
Tokarski, Mr. John
Takarski, Mrs. Joseph
Trombley, Mrs. Edmond G. F.
Tupper, Mrs. Anna B.
Tupper, Mrs. Mary J.
Tupper, Mr. Ralph E.
Walch, Mr. Frank P.
Walch, Mrs. Frank P.
Wallace, Mr. William N.
Wallace, Mrs. William N.
White, Mrs. Bertha
White, Mr. Donald
Wierciak, Mr. Frank
Witowski, Mr. Frank
Witowski, Mrs. Frank
Woods, Mr. Walter L.
Woods, Mrs. Walter L.
Workum, Mr. Mitchell D.
Workum, Mr. Walter
Wozniak, Mr. Frank
Wozniak, Mrs. Frank
Yammer, Mr. Thaddeus
Zilewicz, Mrs. John

The following persons, now living in Wilbraham, are discendants of the residents at the time of it's Incorporation in 1763:

Allen, Mr. Richard H.
Armstrong, Mrs. Arthur
Bacon, Mr. Donald
Ball, Mrs. Frank J.
Bartlett, Mr. Alvin
Bartlett, Mrs. Marjorie
Bennett, Mr. James
Butler, Mr. Herbert L.
Case, Mrs. Howard W.
Dearborn, Mrs. Edward
Dollar, Mr. Robert
Edson, Mr. Phillip
Gardell, Mr. Charles E.
Hyde, Mrs. Henry
Mc Lean, Mr. James Bliss
Moffett, Mrs. Russell
Nims, Mrs. Edward D.
Nygren, Mrs. Anders
Rice, Mr. George P.
Sigsbee, Dr. John
Sigsbee, Mr. Paul R.
Stebbins, Mr. Harold
Stebbins, Mr. Roland
Strahan, Mrs. Ted H.
Warner, Mr. Charles
Warner, Mr. Everett B.
Wight, Mrs. S. L.
Wight, Mr. S. L.
Woods, Mrs. Leslie F.

In Memorium

Those who gave their lives in conflict to preserve our nation and our town.

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Edward F. Powers
Nelson Vincent
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WORLD WAR II

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TOWN OF WILBRAHAM 200TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

WILBRAHAM MASS

ON THE OCCASION OF THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE TOWN OF WILBRAHAM. I AM DELIGHTED TO EXTEND MY WARM BEST WISHES TO ALL THOSE PARTICIPATING IN THIS MEMORABLE EVENT.

WILBRAHAM FROM ITS EARLIEST DAYS, HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN SHAPING THE HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL TRADITIONS OF OUR NATION AND WILL, I AM SURE, CONTINUE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE GROWTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AS WELL AS TO THE VITALITY OF OUR COUNTRY.

TO ALL THE CITIZENS OF WILBRAHAM, I SEND CONGRATULATIONS ON THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR TOWN AND EVERY GOOD WISH FOR A FUTURE FULL OF PROSPERITY AND CONTINUED PROGRESS.

JOHN F KENNEDY.

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

ENDICOTT PEABODY
GOVERNOR

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

May 17, 1963

Dear Friends,

It is a great privilege to congratulate the citizens of Wilbraham on the occasion of your town's 200th Anniversary.

Since its incorporation in 1763, Wilbraham has been a town with many facets. Though generally a residential community, Wilbraham has a firm economic base in manufacturing and commerce. Wilbraham is noted for its sound financial position and lower than average tax rate as well as its excellent transportation facilities.

Wilbraham's citizens have well lived up to the exhortations of Rufus Stebbins when in delivering Wilbraham's first centennial message in 1863, he said, "Advance ye future generations. Take the heritage we bequeath you and not preserve but improve it."

Sincerely,

Endicott Peabody

Governor

The Citizens of Wilbraham
Wilbraham
Massachusetts

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

April 18, 1963

The Citizens of Wilbraham
Wilbraham
Massachusetts

Dear Friends:

May I congratulate the citizens ot Wilbraham and their many friends on the 200th Anniversary of the Town. As a Massachusetts country town steeped in tradition, you have sent men and women on to help build the entire United States.

Since 1763, the year in which the seeds of the American Revolution were just beginning to sprout in the form of independent thinking, Wilbraham has taken part in the building of our democratic way of life.

May I congratulate you on your history and look forward with you to the years ahead.

Sincerely yours,

Leverett Saltonstall
United States Senator

LS:wjc

Edward M. Kennedy
Massachusetts

United States Senate

April 8, 1963

To the Townspeople of Wilbraham:

It is a privilege to send greetings to the residents of the Town of Wilbraham on the occasion of the town's Two Hundredth Anniversary.

From its first settlement in the midst of the wilderness, the Town of Wilbraham has been always in the forefront of the educational and social development of Western Massachusetts. Its famous Academy is one of the finest in the nation. With its natural endowments and the hard work of its citizens over the years, the Town of Wilbraham has become a showplace for the best and most lasting values of New England life.

I wish the Town every success for prosperity and growth in the future.

Sincerely,

Edward M. Kennedy

EDWARD P. BOLAND
SECOND DISTRICT, MASSACHUSETTS

COMMITTEE
APPROPRIATION

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

April 23, 1963

To The Townspeople
Wilbraham, Massachusetts

My Fellow Americans:

Congratulations on the occasion of the 200th Anniversary of the Town of Wilbraham.

A bicentennial celebration is a deeply moving and significant event. It is, indeed, a magnificent milestone in the history of any community. It offers the people of Wilbraham an unusual opportunity to pause and reflect on the goodness and the greatness of this wonderful, typical New England town. It occasions the thanks of the present inhabitants to a long line of devoted and dedicated town officials and residents, past and present, who helped to mold, build and preserve the character of Wilbraham.

The people of Wilbraham can take great pride in their community and give thanks for the fate that enabled them to be a part of this friendly, beautiful town.

As your Representative in the Congress of the United States, I am privileged to extend to the Town of Wilbraham on its Bicentennial the greetings of The United States of America.

Sincerely yours,

Edward P. Boland

Edward P. Boland
Member of Congress

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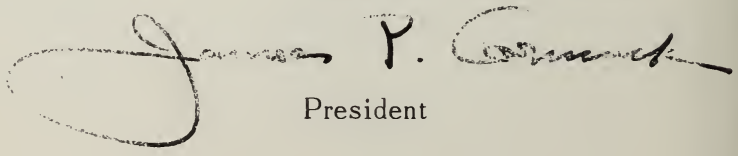

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